

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

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FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-18953)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - ORGANIZATION
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1 - Albuquerque (RM) (100-) (CP - Membership)
16 - Denver (RM)
 1 - 100- (CP - Organization)
 1 - 100- (CP - Funds)
 1 - 100- (CP - Security Measures)
 1 - 100- (Cominfil in NAACP)
 1 - 100- (Cominfil, UPWA - CIO)
 1 - 100- (ARTHUR BARY)
 1 - 100- [REDACTED]
 1 - 100- (PATRICIA BLAU)
 1 - 100- [REDACTED]
 1 - 100- 100-4863 [REDACTED]
 1 - 100- [REDACTED]
 1 - 100- [REDACTED]
 1 - 100- [REDACTED]
 1 - 100- (MAIA SCHERRER)
 1 - 100- [REDACTED]
 1 - 100- (HAROLD ZEPELIN)
3 - New York (RM)
 1 - 100-80641 (CP - Organization)
 1 - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
 1 - 100-81338 (CP - Security Measures)
1 - Salt Lake City (RM)
 100- (CP - Membership)
1 - San Francisco (RM)
 100- (CP - Organization)
2 - Chicago
 1 - 61-867 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
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The following information was received orally by SA JOHN E. KEATING from CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on May 25, 1955.

CG 5824-S advised that PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party, whose is in charge of Party finances and holds a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party, and [redacted]

[redacted] who was in Chicago representing the Colorado District of the Communist Party, held a meeting concerning the Colorado District of the Communist Party at the residence of the informant on Sunday, [redacted]. While the informant did not participate in this entire conference, he was able to obtain the information set forth in this memorandum.

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It is noted that CG 5824-S advised that [redacted] stayed at the residence of CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, member of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party, and Chairman of the Illinois - Indiana District of the Communist Party, while she was in Chicago.

Leadership in the
Colorado District
of the Communist Party

CG 5824-S stated that since other Communist Party leaders in Colorado could not travel because of the Smith Act trial, Colorado was represented at the Midwest Conference of the Communist Party [redacted] by [redacted] who brought along with her information supplied to her by ART BARY. The informant stated that [redacted] did not seem to know what a district secretariat is and in other respects was not able to answer specific questions put to her by PHIL BART. CG 5824-S stated that [redacted] had a slip of paper showing the current leadership in the Colorado District. The informant made hurried notes on the identity of these leading Communist Party members after [redacted] turned over the slip of paper to PHIL BART who was staying at the residence of the informant.

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While the informant had to make hurried notes, he believes that the following notations were on this slip of paper:

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It is not known whether the [] in the left-hand column is identical with what appears to be [] in the right-hand column.

CG 5824-S stated that in his opinion the first column would represent the district secretariat and the two columns would represent the members of the district committee. In the opinion of the informant, the list is too large for a district board, although he would not discount the possibility that it would be the membership of the district board. The informant was also of the opinion that some of the people on this list will be replacements for the present Smith Act defendants when they go to jail.

BART told CG 5824-S that the Colorado District is in a sorry state concerning organization; that they have not had a district convention since 1950 and that most of the persons on the leading committees, that is the district committee, district board and district secretariat, have been appointed by co-optation on the part of ARTHUR BARY.

Membership

PHIL BART told CG 5824-S that about three years ago there were about 300 Communist Party members in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and the rest of the mountain states. He stated that while he had no current figures, he doubts that there are more than sixty or seventy registered members in these states at the present time because the Party has suffered heavy loss in membership and such areas usually lose more than the large cities. BART stated that from March, 1954 through December, 1954 a total of only 133 dues payments had been reported to the National Office of the Communist Party by the Colorado District of the Communist Party.

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In the presence of the informant, BART criticized the Colorado District to [redacted]. He stated that the District has had no registration in two years, that the Party and all "left" organizations had been liquidated. On the other hand he stated that he knows that the Party is strong in the Colorado District in the National Association For Advancement of Colored People, in the packing industry, in the Democratic Party and in the universities. For this reason he believes that the dues payment figure is not accurate; the Colorado District has more members than are represented by this figure and criticized the Colorado District for failure to make proper dues collections and even suggested that someone is pocketing dues collections.

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Funds

[redacted] stated that all defendants in the current Smith Act trials are getting \$30.00 per week from the Defense Committee.

BART stated that with the conclusion of the trial, these people must get jobs in industry because a small Communist Party district cannot support a payroll this large.

Relation of the Colorado District of the Communist Party to the California and Illinois Districts of the Communist Party

CG 5824-S stated that BART told [redacted] that the Colorado District of the Communist Party is not to work with the California District of the Communist Party any longer except in relation to Mexican matters, thus, indicating that there has been some relation between the Colorado District and the California District of the Communist Party. BART stated that in the future a representative

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of the Colorado District of the Communist Party will be called into Chicago for instructions or any information from New York City or Chicago for Colorado will be transmitted by someone making a trip to Denver.

ARTHUR BARY

CG 5824-S further advised on May 25, 1955 that in a conversation between BART, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and the informant on May 23, 1955 both BART and LIGHTFOOT stated that after the termination of the Smith Act trial in Denver, the Communist Party will "get" ART BARY on the question of morals. They both stated that the Communist Party will tolerate a little laxity in morals when the person is in the underground and separated from his wife, but that in the case of ART BARY, there is no excuse.

PATRICIA BLAU

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CG 5824-S further advised that BART gave [] a confidential note to be delivered to ART BARY. This note concerns PATRICIA BLAU who is suspected of being a "stool pigeon" and is the chief Party suspect in the arrest of ROBERT THOMPSON. CG 5824-S learned that this suspicion seems to arise from three things:

(1) that she injected herself into the THOMPSON setup as a courier, and the Party is investigating the circumstances under which she became a courier.

(2) BLAU has refused on some occasions to talk to rank and file members of the Communist Party, stating that she talks only to Communist Party persons on a national level.

(3) BLAU withheld information from the Party that she was a naturalized citizen and subsequently gave to the Party two different dates for her naturalization and these dates vary about ten years.

Some person from the Bronx, who was not further identified by BART, has stated that BLAU was naturalized in 1951.

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The following information was furnished
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| 2 - Denver (RM) | 1 - 100- (CP-Organization) |
| 1 - 100- (CP - Organization) | 1 - 100- (WILLIAM SENTNER) |
| 1 - 100- 4863 [REDACTED] | 1 - 100- (HELEN MUSIL) |
| 3 - Indianapolis (RM) | 1 - 100- (HERSHELL) |
| 1 - 100- (CP - Organization) | (Phonetic) |
| 1 - 100- (EMANUEL BLUM) | 1 - 100- (Girl from |
| 1 - 100- (SI BOORDA) | East St. Louis) |
| 4 - Milwaukee (RM) | 1 - CG A) 134-46 |
| 1 - 100- (CP - Organization) | 1 - CG 100-24729 |
| 1 - 100- (MAX [REDACTED]) | (EMANUEL BLUM) |
| 1 - 100- (JIM [REDACTED]) | 1 - CG 100-12259 |
| 1 - 100- (SIG EISENSCHER) | (ART HAENDLE) |
| 4 - Minneapolis (RM) | 1 - CG 100-2748 |
| 1 - 100- (CP - Organization) | (SAM KUSHNER) |
| 1 - 100- (ROBERT KELLY) | 1 - CG 61-867 (CLAUDE |
| 1 - 100- (Mrs. TEPPETS) | LIGHTFOOT) |
| 1 - 100- (Employee in IUE Shop) | [REDACTED] |
| 5 - New York (RM) | 1 - CG 2749 (MOLLIE WEST) |
| 1 - 100-80641 (CP - Organization) | 1 - 100-7441 (Cominfil, |
| 1 - 100-89590 (CP - Strategy in Industry) | UAW - CIO) |
| 1 - 100-89691 (CP - Domestic Administra- | 1 - 100-19431 (CP - Strategy in |
| tion Issues) | Industry) |
| 1 - 100-56579 (PHIL BART) | |
| 1 - 100- [REDACTED] (WALTER BARRY) | |
| 1 - Pittsburgh (RM) (100-) (CP - Organiza- | |
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Time, Type and Place
of Meeting

CG 5824-S stated that a meeting of Midwestern District Organizers of the Communist Party was held at Mittleman Center, 2733 West Hirsch Street, Chicago, on Saturday and Sunday morning, May 21 and 22, 1955.

Persons In Attendance

CG 5824-S stated that in addition to the informant, the following persons were present at this meeting on Saturday, May 21, 1955; it is to be noted that while most of the persons present knew the informant, he did not know the names of all persons present:

PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party in charge of Communist Party finances, whose position is equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, member of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party and Chairman of the Illinois - Indiana District of the Communist Party.

WALTER BARRY of New York City, member of the National Trade Union Commission of the Communist Party.

CG 5824-S stated that BARRY did not arrive in Chicago until late Friday evening, May 20, 1955, and that SAM KUSHNER, member of the District Board and District Secretariat of the Illinois - Indiana District of the Communist Party, who is in charge of trade union activities in this District, was prepared to take BARRY's place at this conference in the event BARRY could not attend.

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Also present were [redacted] ARTHUR BARY, representing the Colorado District of the Communist Party, and ARTHUR HAENDLE, who organized the meeting.

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The informant advised that EMANUEL BLUM, Communist Party Organizer in Indiana, was not present since he had scheduled a meeting in Indianapolis. CG 5824-S stated that BLUM will be censored by the Party for failure to attend this meeting in Chicago.

Indiana was represented by a man from South Bend whose first name may be SI. CG 5824-S described this person as follows:

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| Race: | White |
| Age: | 35 to 36 |
| Height: | 5'10" |
| Weight: | 160 lbs. |
| Hair: | Light brown, almost blond, and balding |
| Peculiarities: | Wears glasses with thick lenses |
| Employment: | Hendix |
| Relatives: | Has a boy about 9 or 10 years of age. |

It is believed that this individual may be SI BOORDA.

Wisconsin was represented by two guys from Milwaukee. SIG EISENSCHER failed to attend the meeting and CG 5824-S stated that BART will also censor EISENSCHER for having arranged to attend another meeting on this date. CG 5824-S stated that the first name of one of the persons from Milwaukee was MAX. The informant stated that MAX is white, about 60 years of age, heavy build, grey hair. The first name of the other person from Milwaukee was JIM described as follows: white, about 28 to 30 years of age, 5'10" tall, slim build, dark brown hair worn in a crew-cut.

CG 5824-S stated that both MAX and JIM work in shops and that one or both of them may be in the auto industry.

Minneapolis was represented by three persons, one of whom was BOB KELLY. Another person was Mrs. TEPPEETS (phonetic). She is described by the informant as follows:

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| Race: | White |
| Age: | About 55 |
| Weight: | About 150 lbs. |

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Height: About 5'2"
Hair: Grey, worn in braids

She was also wearing a hearing aid.

CG 5824-S did not know the name of the other man from the Minnesota District, but described him as follows:

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| Race: | White |
| Age: | About 38 |
| Height: | 5'9" |
| Build: | Medium |
| Hair: | Dark Brown |
| Eyes: | Brown |
| Peculiarities: | Prominent nose; wears glasses |
| Employment: | employed by a shop serviced by IUE and at one time was Chairman of the local at this shop |

Missouri was represented by BILL SENTNER who acted as Chairman of the meeting on Saturday, May 21, 1955. Also present from Missouri was a person referred to as HER'S HELL (phonetic). CG 5824-S described this individual as follows:

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| Race: | Negro |
| Age: | About 50 |
| Height: | 5'9" |
| Weight: | 150 lbs. |
| Build: | Slim |
| Employment: | Believed to be employed in or to have been some connection with the railroad industry. |

The third person from Missouri was a girl from East St. Louis, who was representing HELEN MUSIL. MUSIL is employed at a bakery, works on Saturday, thus, could not attend this meeting.

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CG 5824-S did not know the name of the girl from East St. Louis but described her as follows:

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| Race: | White |
| Complexion: | Dark |
| Age: | 28 |
| Weight: | 130 to 135 lbs. |
| Peculiarities: | Wears glasses and has a pointed nose. |

A Communist Party representative from Pittsburgh was supposed to attend this conference, but no one appeared.

If any of the offices receiving copies of this letter can tentatively identify persons described above whose names were not known to the informant, it is suggested that photographs of these persons be sent to the Chicago Office for the purpose of exhibiting them to CG 5824-S for identification.

Agenda For Conference

CG 5824-S stated that for the Saturday meeting of this conference there were two points on the agenda: the struggle for peace and possible auto strikes.

The Struggle For Peace

The informant advised that PHIL BART supplemented by comments of CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and the informant made a report on the struggle for peace. This discussion was mainly concerned with the practical tasks of the Communist Party in the promotion of the tenth anniversary of the United Nations.

Situation in Auto

CG 5824-S stated that WALTER BARRY made a report on the auto situation and the preparation for strikes in the auto industry. The informant advised that in the main, BARRY's report was a statistical tabulation showing the amount of profits by the auto manufacturers.

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and the speedup in production during the first part of 1955.

BARRY stated that the Party is to prepare for strikes in the auto industry by setting up strike committees and that these committees should extend beyond those Communist Party members in the auto industries. The Party should also work for the passage of resolutions of solidarity from other unions, put pressure on political bodies and Government agencies so that they will leave the strikers alone in order to permit the workers to win their demands in the event that there is a strike. BARRY also stated that the Party should start preparation for the sending of relief in various forms in the event that there is a strike.

Meeting On Sunday,
May 22, 1955

CG 5824-S stated that he was not in attendance at the meeting on Sunday, May 22, 1955, which adjourned early in order to permit those persons from out of town to return to their jobs by Monday morning. CG 5824-S stated that he learned from PHIL BART that BART, supplemented by MOLLIE WEST, Organizational Secretary of the Illinois - Indiana District, gave a report on organization forms and other matters pertaining to organization on which there was a subsequent discussion.

CG 5824-S also learned from BART that BART had a notice for each district present showing that they were behind in the collection of Communist Party dues. This matter plus others pertaining to organization were taken up individually by BART with each Communist Party district represented after the close of the session on May 22, 1955.

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1-100-87221 (CP - FACTIONALISM)
1-100-105699 (COMFUGS)
1-100-56579 (PHIL BART)
1-100-9365 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)
1-100-8057 (EUGENE DENNIS)
1-100-13472 (GIL GREEN)
1-100-50983 (WILLIAM NORMAN MARRON)
1-100-18672 (MAX WEISS)
1-100-96833 (MEL WILLIAMSON)
1-100-269 (HENRY WINSTON)
1-100-89816 (FRED FINE)

14-Chicago

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1-61-867 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
1-100-21222 (CP-UNDERGROUND)
1-100-18963 (CP-FACTIONALISM)
1-100- (COMFUGS)
1-100-17769 (CP-FUNDS)
1-100-3301 (DAVID ENGLESTEIN)
1-100-3952 (GIL GREEN)
1-100-2748 (SAM KUSHNER)
1-100-3960 (BILL SENNETT)
1-100-21350 (RAY TILLMAN)
1-100-1158 (ED STARR)
1-100-19841 (MAX WEISS)
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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO PROTECT THE IDENTITY OF THE INFORMANT.

It is to be noted that CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, spent the Memorial Day weekend with CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, member of the National Administrative Committee and Chairman of the Illinois-Indiana District of the Communist Party, at LIGHTFOOT's farm in Michigan.

CG 5824-S orally furnished the following information on June 1, 1955:

LIGHTFOOT stated that there were certain matters which could not be discussed any place in the City of Chicago and not even in his farmhouse; therefore, the following matters were discussed between the informant and LIGHTFOOT in the tool shed on LIGHTFOOT's farm.

Future Organization of the CP

LIGHTFOOT stated that the CP is considering what forms it might be able to utilize in an effort to survive. He stated that some of these problems have to be resolved before the CP holds a conference in the fall. LIGHTFOOT stated that even though the entire Party may not be taken into confidence by the national leaders of the CP at this conference, that some political explanations will be given as to why certain things have to be done.

CG 5824-S pointed out that at the time the informant talked to LIGHTFOOT they did not know whether or not the U. S. Supreme Court would review the case involving the McCarran Control Act, so the Party did not know how much time they would have to decide what forms of organization the Party could retain in the event that the Supreme Court ruled that it would not review this case. The informant stated, that

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based on his conversation with LIGHTFOOT, that since the U. S. Supreme Court has ruled that it will hear the appeal in this case, the informant is of the opinion that the Party will retain most of its present "legal" forms at least for the next year. The informant stated that the Supreme Court ruling is regarded by the CP as a very important step as it pertains to the future of the CP.

LIGHTFOOT stated that CP leadership in the United States is now being polled individually in person on these matters of organization and future CP activities and that the replies from the CP leaders are generally in the forms of questions and answers or memoranda.

LIGHTFOOT stated that the leadership in the Underground as well as in the open Party is involved in this poll which is designed to estimate the situation in the United States and whether in the opinion of these leaders, on the basis of the estimate that for the most part there is no Fascist regime, as yet, in this country, the CP can, for some time to come, function openly and "legally" except for its Underground organization and the Party industrial organizations. LIGHTFOOT stated that there is a division of opinion in the CP on this question, although the majority of the leadership is of the same opinion as was set forth in an article by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER appearing in the November, 1954 issue of "Political Affairs". The opposition to this point of view comes chiefly from Detroit and CARL WINTER.

[Position of CARL WINTER
on CP Organization]

CG 5824-S stated that LIGHTFOOT read to him a memorandum recently prepared by CARL WINTER stating WINTER's position on CP organization and the possibility of open or "legal" activity by the CP. According to the informant, WINTER's position in substance is that for all intents and

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purposes, in reality, the CP is illegal and that the CP ought to go Underground completely and issue a statement which should find publicity in the world press expressing the fraud of American democracy. WINTER is of the opinion that since the legality of the CP is a fiction, the U. S. State Department benefits from this fiction by pointing to the United States and saying that United States democracy is so broad that even Communists can function.

In addition, WINTER stated that the CP provides names for the FBI since the CP members move around as if they were not under constant threat. WINTER does not state that we have a Fascist regime in the United States but does state that we are close to it.

[Contemplated Repudiation of
the Viewpoint of CARL WINTER]

LIGHTFOOT stated that the viewpoint of CARL WINTER will be repudiated inasmuch as WILLIAM Z. FOSTER has stated the Party position in regard to the existence or rather the lack of existence of Fascism in the United States at this time. LIGHTFOOT stated that EUGENE DENNIS is of a similar opinion and that only one week ago, SWIFT (GIL GREEN) sent in a memorandum in which he agreed in substance with DENNIS and FOSTER. This indicates, according to the informant, that GIL GREEN is in touch with the leadership of the CP.

[Status of CP Leaders In The
Underground and Relation of
Open Party Leaders To The
Rest of the Party]

LIGHTFOOT told CG 5824-S that the CP is going to retain a reserve leadership in the Underground. The Party will

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renew the reserve leadership in the Underground by replacing some CP leaders currently in the Underground. In this regard, LIGHTFOOT stated that MAX WEISS may be brought out into the open Party before too long. LIGHTFOOT stated that the refugees (Comfugs) are not discussed and, of course, they will not be removed from the Underground.

LIGHTFOOT stated that the CP believes that they do not need a larger reserve in the Underground, that there are enough CP leaders in the open at the present time to give the Party sufficient leadership. For this reason, the CP leaders in reserve can be few in number and can be safe for a long time if they do not try to meddle in too many local affairs.

In regard to CP leadership in the open, LIGHTFOOT mentioned that EUGENE DENNIS and others are out of jail at the present time and that some CP leaders presently in jail will be coming out in a year or two. The CP leadership in Cleveland has not come to trial as yet, and the CP leadership in Philadelphia has not been sentenced as yet, so that they will be able to function in the open Party for a little while longer. LIGHTFOOT stated that unless there is a wholesale attack which the Party does not contemplate for reasons set forth in Chicago teletype to the Director dated June 2, 1955, then the Party will function as follows: A small reserve with the bulk of the CP in the open with some security for industrial CP organizations. LIGHTFOOT stated that the CP is willing to take chances locally except for those in the reserve and industrial or trade union organizations and that the Party wants the local CP leadership in the open to get closer to the Rank and File members. In this regard, he stated that every member of the District Board in the Illinois-Indiana District will probably meet with a group of ten or twelve persons in the near future. This group may be made up of people from the Cultural Division or it may be a group of community leaders. The purpose of these meetings would be to talk to these groups on

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political issues, to enable them to get to know the open CP leaders and to hope that in this way these people will be encouraged to raise more funds for the CP.

Organization of CP Underground

LIGHTFOOT told CG 5824-S that originally the CP Underground was divided into three regions nationally. These regions were as follows:

The Eastern Region with
BILL NORMAN and FRED FINE in charge;

The Midwestern Region with
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and PHIL BART in charge;

And the Western Region with
ROBERT THOMPSON and SID STEIN in charge.

LIGHTFOOT did not say whether or not such a setup is in existence at the present time. He did say that the Western Section where THOMPSON and STEIN became careless was the weak link in this setup. The informant is of the opinion that the CP may have a similar Underground setup at the present time; however, these Underground Regions would be more of a reserve and would not be directing the operations of the Party since the CP has strong leadership in the open Party at this time.

Comfugs

LIGHTFOOT stated that the CP made many mistakes when they first went into the Underground since they were not prepared for it. In this regard he stated that they had WINNIE (HENRY WINSTON) holed up in an apartment in a city which LIGHTFOOT did not name. He did say that WINSTON was residing with a family of white persons and that for one solid year WINSTON did not leave this apartment and most of the time walked around in his stocking feet allegedly to

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prevent his detection from the sound of his footsteps. ~~X~~

LIGHTFOOT stated that some people were moved out of the country and that some were being readied to be moved outside of the United States but then when GUS HALL was picked up, the Party decided that too many people, as many as a dozen, were involved in moving a person out of the country and that this was bound to cause trouble because of the number of persons involved. ~~X~~

According to the informant, LIGHTFOOT indicated that GIL GREEN was out of the country at one time but LIGHTFOOT stated that just before he, LIGHTFOOT, was arrested, he had been working on arrangements which were about completed. These arrangements were for GIL GREEN to spend a few weeks with his family for the first time since he had become a refugee. This get-together between GREEN and his family, was to take place near CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT's farm in Michigan but the plan was abandoned after LIGHTFOOT's arrest. ~~X~~

Speaking of the CP Underground Conference in 1953, LIGHTFOOT gave no indication as to the place where this conference was held. He stated it was attended by twenty individuals including himself and that it took six weeks to bring these people to the meeting one at a time with each spending many days in "dry cleaning" operations. ~~X~~

LIGHTFOOT stated that the conference was held during the vacation season and that the Party rented cabins thus indicating that the conference may have been held at a resort area. ~~X~~

[CP Underground in Illinois-
Indiana District] ~~X~~

LIGHTFOOT stated that the three persons in the Underground in the Illinois-Indiana District, GEORGE (ED STARR),

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JOHN (DAVID ENGLESTEIN) and BERT (RAY TILLMAN) will be brought out of the Underground by the end of the summer on a staggered basis. ~~X~~

LIGHTFOOT stated that BERT ordinarily would not be replaced since he has not been in the Underground a long time but that the CP in the Illinois-Indiana District needs someone to take charge of activities in the South Side Division in Chicago and that he, LIGHTFOOT, was unable to get MEL WILLIAMSON for this assignment. LIGHTFOOT stated that therefore, it will be necessary to give this assignment to RAY TILLMAN. ~~X~~

In speaking of MEL WILLIAMSON, LIGHTFOOT stated that WILLIAMSON is too busy studying art instead of politics. ~~X~~

LIGHTFOOT mentioned BILL SENNETT and SAM KUSHNER as possible replacements for those in the Underground in the Illinois-Indiana District. He stated that this plan of rotating CP leaders in the Underground might have come into effect sooner except for the statement of Assistant Attorney General WILLIAM TOMPKINS indicating future arrests under the Smith Act. ~~X~~

LIGHTFOOT stated that the system of rotation planned for the Illinois-Indiana District Underground leaders will be used by the CP nationally and in other CP Districts. ~~X~~

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (100-3-94)

DATE: 6/7/55

FROM: SAC, New York (100-96985)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS
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On 5/20/55, NK 2010-S*, a source close to JACK KLING, national CP underground functionary, furnished a photographic reproduction of a letter dated 5/20/55 from D. (JACK KLING) to WAYNE (identity unknown). This letter appears to be a reply to a letter dated April 20 (1955) written by WAYNE to NAT (CONSTANCE BART) wherein WAYNE requests that NAT be assigned to the south.

For the information of offices receiving copies of this letter, the following is offered as the identity of individuals mentioned in this letter.

N.Y. RM

- 1 - Atlanta (100-4280)
- 1 - Birmingham (100-3927)
- 1 - Charlotte (100-6152)
- 1 - Dallas (100-293A)
- 1 - Houston (100-315-D)
- 1 - Knoxville (100-2480)
- 1 - Little Rock (100-2481)
- 1 - Memphis (100-3125)
- 1 - Miami (100-12049)
- 1 - Mobile (100-10-0)
- 1 - New Orleans (100-14222)
- 1 - Norfolk (100-4843)
- 1 - Oklahoma City (100-5190)
- 1 - Richmond (100-7908)
- 1 - San Antonio (100-7864)
- 1 - Savannah (100-4036)
- 1 - NY 100- (WAYNE per NK 2010-S*) (#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-28609 (HAL SIMON) (#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-18672 (MAX WEISS) (#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-123393 (J. per NK 1993-S*) (#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-20649 (EDWARD E. STRONG) (#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-19349 (JACK KLING) (#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONSTANCE BART) (#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-82430 (IRVING HIRSHMAN) (#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100- (HENRY FARASH) (#7-5)

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Letter to Director
NY 100-96985

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| B. | - | HAL SIMON |
| D. | - | JACK KLING |
| HANK F. | - | HENRY FARASH |
| NAT | - | CONSTANCE BART |
| PHIL | - | PHIL BART |
| TONY | - | IRVING HERMAN |
| V. | - | MAX MORRIS WEISS |
| J. | - | Unknown |
| WAYNE | - | Unknown |

The letter is quoted as follows:

"May 20, 1955

"Dear Wayne;

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"There are a number of things I would like to take up w/ith you.

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"With best personal regards

"D"

The above is submitted for information, Offices should remain alert as to the possibility of a replacement for CONSTANCE BART.

TRANSMIT TO New York Office
Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3284)

DATE: 5/27/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-56579)

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART, was
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Corrected Security Index cards attached. Substitute for cards in file and destroy old cards. Place photograph and description on reverse side of geographical card.

It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME _____ *(No Part No)*

ALIASES ADD: JEM _____

NATIVE BORN _____ NATURALIZED _____ ALIEN _____

COMMUNIST _____ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY _____ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE _____

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) _____

TAB FOR DETCOM _____ TAB FOR COMSAB _____ RACE _____ SEX _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PLACE OF BIRTH _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) _____

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER _____ RESPONSIBILITY _____

INTERESTED AGENCIES _____ 100-56579-1078

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-81)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100 - 18961)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA -
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 6-3-55

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Extreme care should be used in reporting the following information to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to SA JOHN E. KEATING for photostating on May 25, 1955 the Volume I, Number 1 issue of "United States Report" which indicates that it is a monthly review of the American scene and it is published at 45 Clarges Street, London, W. I.

One photostatic copy of this periodical is being furnished to the Bureau and one photostatic copy to the New York Office.

The Chicago copy is located in Chicago file 100-18961-931a4.

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Enclosure: (1)

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5. New York (RM) (Encl. - 1)
(1 - 100-86244, CP - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)
(1 - 100- CP - BRIEF)
(1 - 100-9365, WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)
(1 - 100-23774, JOHN WILLIAMSON)
(1 - 100-56579, PHIL BART)
1 - CG A)134-46

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RE: CP, USA - INTERNATIONAL
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It is noted that this publication is critical of the loyalty program of the United States Government, contains an article about HARVEY MATUSOW under the caption "Portrait of a Witness" and an article on the Fifth Amendment by ERWIN N. GRISWOLD, Dean of the Harvard Law School, an extract of a speech by Dr. CORLISS LAMONT and a statement by Bishop EDWARD LAMPE PARSONS from "Christianity and Crisis", which is as follows:

"Congress has tried to make the Fifth Amendment powerless. The essential rights of the First Amendment are everywhere threatened. The FBI is not a secret police, but it is disturbing to an American who has lived in earlier days to realize that that agency of the Government has dossiers not only of criminals but of thousands of reputable citizens smeared by someone, or on the list of an organization which the Attorney General does not like. Here is a call to the churches. A free pulpit is essential to our liberties."

CG 5824-S stated that he obtained this item from PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party, while BART was in Chicago during the period from May 20, 1955 through May 23, 1955. BART had only one copy of this item which the informant borrowed and forgot to return to BART. BART told CG 5824-S that there are a number of American Communists presently in England and other countries in Europe, but that England will be the rallying center. In keeping with the policy of the Soviet Union that the main enemy is the United States, the most capable of American exiles (Communists) are being utilized to help in a world-wide propaganda campaign against the United States. "United States Report", which is supposed to be a monthly review of the American scene, is the expression of this campaign and this magazine is supposed to be circulated wherever the English language is spoken.

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JOHN WILLIAMSON

CG 5824-S orally advised SA KEATING on May 25, 1955 that he had received a personal note from JOHN WILLIAMSON written on board ship and that WILLIAMSON had given the return address; "In care of DOYLE, 61 Hazelwell Road, London, S. W., 15, England.

CG 5824-S further advised on May 25, 1955 that he had been told by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER on May 18, 1955 that he, FOSTER, had received a note from HARRY POLLIT, Head of the Communist Party of England. POLLIT stated that JOHNNY WILLIAMSON had arrived in England and that the British Communist Party will take care of him. POLLIT also stated that as soon as the British elections are over, the Communist Party of England will solve some of WILLIAMSON's problems and will keep the American Communist Party informed as to the role that WILLIAMSON is playing in England.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-19249)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-3313)

SUBJECT: JACK KLING, was.
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O.O. New York

DATE: 6-6-55



Extreme care should be used in reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on May 13, 1955, that on May 12, 1955,

[redacted] gave this letter to CG 5824-S, who gave it to SAM KUSHNER, who was going to Cleveland for a meeting of the National Trade Union Commission of the Communist Party on the weekend of May 14, 1955. CG 5824-S instructed KUSHNER to deliver the letter to GEORGE WATT, who would take it to New York to PHIL BART, who would get the letter to JACK KLING.

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CG 5824-S further advised that [redacted] stated that she had seen JACK KLING twice last year but she has not seen him this year. She stated that JACK KLING was of the opinion that the FBI knew his whereabouts and that he was not satisfied with his security. SUE KLING further stated that she was also of the opinion that the FBI knows where JACK KLING is.

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SUE KLING stated that while there may be a check-up on her from time to time she is not being followed, and the neighbors have not been contacted about her. She stated that a "credit agency" calls the office where she works from time to time to check on her employment. She stated that she knows that this is the FBI because she never buys anything on credit.

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✓ 3 - New York (RM)

- ① - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
- 1 - 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT)
- 1 - 100-96985 (CP-Underground Operations)

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1 - 100-16859 (SUE KLING)

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2 - Newark (RM)

- 1 - 100- (CP Underground Operations)
- 1 - 100- (JACK KLING)

- 1 - 100-2748 (SAM KUSHNER)
- 1 - 100-21222 (CP-Underground Operations)
- 1 - 100-18962 (CP-Security Measures)

CG 100-3313

SUE KLING stated [redacted]

[redacted] She stated that while she is on friendly terms with [redacted] they have nothing to do with the Communist ideology. SUE stated that while JACK's brothers are all right in a personal way, they told her that if [redacted] insists in agitating while playing with their children they will have to stop playing and associating with [redacted]. SUE KLING stated that she is afraid that the FBI will arrest both her and her husband and she is contemplating [redacted]
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PHILIP BART, IS - C; SA - 1940.

ReBulet 6/2/55 which requested PH to prepare supplemental prosecutive summary report re subject to reach Bureau by 6/13/55.

ReNY report on BART dated 4/4/55.

NY mated PH the necessary data concerning NY live Informants listed in this report so that the info may be adequately set forth in a supplemental prosecutive summary report.

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In 5/20/55 MA-2010-8c, a source close to JACK KLINE, national CP USA functionary, furnished a photographic reproduction of a letter dated 5/20/55 to "WAYNE" (identity unknown) from D. (JACK KLINE). Individuals mentioned in this regard are identified as follows:

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| B. | HAL SIMON |
| V. | MAX WEISS |
| J. | Unknown |
| S. | JACK KLINE |
| Dot | CORNELIUS BART |
| Tony | IRVING BERMAN |
| Hill | PHIL BART |
| Frank F. | HARRY FARABU |

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1-BY100-19249 (JACK KLINE)
1-BY100-12959 (CORNELIUS BART)
1-BY100-82430 (IRVING BERMAN)
1-BY100-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-5)
1-BY100- (HARRY FARABU) (7-5)

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The Bureau and interested offices have been advised of information contained in this letter. The photographic copy is being attached to the memo designated for the case file on JACK KLING.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-4) DATE: 6-8-55
 FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-20769)
 SUBJECT: CP, USA
 DISTRICT #2, NEW YORK
 INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Extreme care should be used in reporting the following information to protect the identity of the informant because of the limited number of persons involved.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally furnished the following information concerning various persons in the New York District of the Communist Party to SA JOHN E. KEATING on May 25, 1955. CG 5824-S received this information during a visit to New York City from May 17, 1955, to May 20, 1955.

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15 New York (REGISTERED)
 100-26603 (CP-DISTRICT #2)
 100-74560 (CP USA-FUNDS)
 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
 100- HOWARD BOLDT)
 100-21785 (SAM BROWN)
 100- GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY)
 100- BARNEY JOSEPHSON)
 65-34 LEON JOSEPHSON)
 100- BILL LAWRENCE)
 100-34665 (LENA SCHERER)
 100-5767, MARCEL SCHERER)
 100-21431 (MARTIN YOUNG)
 100- (MRS. MARTIN YOUNG)
 100- Unknown Subject, Roumanian
 from Detroit) (NY 694-S)

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Re: CP, USA
DISTRICT #2, NEW YORK

MARCEL SCHERER

CG 5824-S advised that he visited MARCEL SCHERER in the Park East Hotel at 83rd and Lexington. Informant stated that SCHERER was very ill with an abscessed appendix. He stated, however, that his condition was under control while the informant was at the hospital and that SCHERER was scheduled to be released from the hospital on May 25, 1955 but would have to go to a rest home until he was built up physically again. In the meantime LEON JOSEPHSON is continuing to pay SCHERER's salary during his illness.

CG 5824-S stated that while he was in the hospital SCHERER was visited by a guy from Detroit who had been in the Communist Party Underground but was returned to the Open Party and came to New York City. In New York City he got in touch with MARCEL SCHERER and SCHERER was instrumental in getting him a job in offset printing. CG 5824-S stated that this guy is a Roumanian and that his identity is known to the person identical with NY 694-S.

LENA SCHERER

CG 5824-S stated that he had seen LENA SCHERER very briefly on Wednesday, May 18, 1955, and she stated she had quit her job and that the hospital bills for MARCEL were terrific.

CG 5824-S advised that since LENA SCHERER is a good contact of the informants in New York City he spoke to PHIL BART about her and deplored the fact that a person of her character had to do domestic work for a living. BART, who is familiar with LENA SCHERER's background told the informant that he had just learned what she was doing and also learned that she has many beefs and complaints about the Communist Party. He agreed, however, that this is part of her makeup and that she is a very capable person. BART stated that he would try to get LENA SCHERER more involved in Party activities but there are factions and clicks in

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the New York District of the Communist Party which may make it difficult. BART further stated that he may be able to use LENA SCHERER at least part time in the National Office of the Communist Party.

MARTIN YOUNG

CG 5824-S stated that SAM BROWN told him that MARTIN YOUNG had a serious heart attack and that he is in the Manhattan General Hospital. CG 5824-S stated that he talked to MARTIN YOUNG's wife by phone and she stated that there was some doubt that her husband would go back to his job which was a foreman in a dairy. She stated that she has a job a few days a week in an office of a bakery.

The informant stated that MARTIN YOUNG's wife was a sister of the first wife of KEN BORN of Chicago. She stated that KEN BORN's [redacted] had just had a serious operation and she asked the informant to contact BORN on his return to Chicago.

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BILL LAWRENCE

CG 5824-S stated that in a conversation with GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY in the New York District Office of the Communist Party on May 17, 1955, CHARNEY told the informant that he had offered BILL LAWRENCE some leading positions in the Communist Party in New York such as head of the trade union commission and Manhattan County Organizer, but that LAWRENCE had refused to accept these assignments because of personal problems. Informant stated that LAWRENCE has the care of his two minor children. CHARNEY stated that LAWRENCE is still working with the Cultural Division of the Communist Party and feels that this assignment with regular hours and little night work gives him an opportunity to spend more time with his children than another assignment might.

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CHARNEY stated that LAWRENCE is still in love with his deceased wife and that he is doing nothing to solve his personal problems even though there is a girl who wants to marry him.

BARNEY JOS EPHSON

CG 5824-S stated that on Tuesday afternoon, May 17, 1955, PHIL BART asked him to accompany BART to the restaurant of BARNEY JOSEPHSON at 52nd Street and Madison Avenue, in New York City in order to see if they could get some money from JOSEPHSON for the Communist Party. BART stated that since he believed that CG 5824-S knew JOSEPHSON better than he, BART, did, maybe they would have more success. CG 5824-S stated that JOSEPHSON was not there when they arrived and that they talked briefly with HOWARD BOLDT, who is presently working at this restaurant.

When BARNEY JOS EPHSON returned to the restaurant CG 5824-S told him of the urgent needs of the Communist Party for funds. JOSEPHSON stated that he was short of cash at the present time but that if CG 5824-S or BART would return in about one month perhaps he would be able to do something then. JOSEPHSON stated that there are several investors involved in the restaurant, that most of the money in this business adventure was not his, that the restaurant was not breaking even as yet, and that they may open another restaurant on University and 8th Place where the Brevoort Hotel is being torn down. For these reasons JOSEPHSON stated that he was short of cash.

BARNEY JOSEPHSON also stated that he has a philosophy about giving money, he feels that he should help individuals who have no jobs or who have serious illnesses in the family instead of helping an organization. In this respect he said that he told his brother, LEON JOSEPHSON to continue to pay MARCEL SCHERER's salary during SCHERER's illness. JOSEPHSON stated that he is

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a charitable man and that he cannot see why the Party is making such demands on him. CG 5824-S and BART told JOSEPHSON that the Party has people to support also and is in a better position to judge the money needs and also that the organization is greater than anyone individual.

CG 5824-S stated that after leaving JOSEPHSON BART stated that BARNEY JOSEPHSON is no good, that the Party will have to push him and will continue to hound him for funds. BART stated that JOSEPHSON has been running his restaurant as if it were a Party task while actually it is for himself only.

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MARTHA STONE

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NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, advised that on 3/4/55, MARTHA STONE told PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) that "we are the committee charged with leadership and we are not taking it serious enough." PHIL stated that it was time to review their work to see if they were working right. MARTHA told PHIL that CLAUDE (believed to be CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT), herself and PHIL were the core and that they must let other people take care of part of the work. MARTHA said that nobody around headquarters kept a schedule and that it was universal to be late. MARTHA mentioned to PHIL that they had been there for a period of from six weeks to two months, yet had never worked together, let alone as a committee.

At this point MARTHA stated that the "N.A.C." must take new initiative on the Negro work and labor problems. She then said she wondered about GEORGE's (believed to be GEORGE WATT) attitude, as he kept bugging her with the question of who would take over if she left the next week. She said she was unable to answer him and she also stated that the past week she spent three hours in discussion with BOB APPEL and also two evenings on Negro work.

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- 1 - Chicago (100-) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE)
- 1 - New Haven (100-) (COMBES)
- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-98499 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-319 (ROBERT APPEL) (12-10)
- 1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-80641 (CP, USA ORGANIZATION) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-90640 (CP, USA NEGRO QUESTION) (12-14)

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SAUL WELLMAN
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According to NY 1401-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at LYL National Headquarters, 159 West 23rd St., NYC, on 5/31/55, JULIE (believed to be JULIAN LOWITT) contacted PHIL BART at CP Headquarters. He told him that they were waiting for him around the corner, and were undecided whether to begin, although SOLLY (believed to be SAUL WELLMAN) was in and [redacted] (believed to be [redacted]) was in. BART told him that they would go through with their plans and set the time at 1:00. This was agreeable to JULIE.

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- 1 - NY 100-80398 (JULIAN LOWITT)(12-11)
2 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(7-1)
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MAX GORDON
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On 5/26/55, MAX (MAX) GORDON told NY 656-S* that something has been worked out which "might stave off action for a while." According to the informant, PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) was there and he will give MARTHA STONE a brief report of what occurred.

- 1 - NY 97-169 ("Daily Worker;" #7-2)
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART; #7-5)
1 - NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE; #7-5)

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- 1 - 100-408305 (JACK COWAN)
- 1 - 100-72889 (GEORGE WATT)
- 1 - 100- (TIM BUCK)
- 1 - 100- (ABRAHAM FEINGLASS)
- 1 - 100- (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)
- 1 - 100- (MEYER KLIB)
- 1 - 100- [REDACTED]
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- 1 - 100-341652 (ISIDORE NEEDLEMAN)
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The following information was furnished to SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON on 5/21, 24, 28 and 6/3/55 by NY 694-S, and includes not only information regarding the informant's trip to Toronto between 5/12 and 5/17/55, but also information obtained by NY 694-S from CP, USA, officials to whom he reported the results of his Canadian trip.

On 5/9/55, NY 694-S received a telephone call from JACK COWAN, Canadian CP member and owner of the World Trading Corporation and Overseas Travel Limited in Toronto, advising that "the family" desired to see NY 694-S as soon as possible. The significance of this message, according to the informant, was that the Canadian CP leadership wished to confer with NY 694-S.

Before going to Toronto on 5/12/55, NY 694-S inquired of the CP, USA, leadership whether it was desired that he relay any information from the CP, USA, to the Canadian CP. GEORGE WATT, CP, USA, trade union functionary, arranged a meeting with NY 694-S at which WATT stated that the informant should convey the following information to the CP of Canada--particularly to TIM BUCK, head of the Canadian CP, and to BILL KASHTON, Canadian CP trade union functionary:

1. That the Canadian CP should attempt to prevent the purges that ABE FEINGLASS, USA Furriers Union functionary, planned for the Canadian Furriers Union.

2. That if the Canadian CP could not prevent said purges, it attempt to delay the purges for at least six months.

3. That the CP, USA, definitely is opposed to purging left-wing elements in trade unions, and that if FEINGLASS had quoted WILLIAM Z. FOSTER to the effect that FOSTER approved the purges, FEINGLASS was lying.

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With respect to FEINGLASS, WATT said, "ABE is with us, but doesn't work the way we want him to work. Remember to warn the Canadians that he is a shrewd maneuverer. We see him, but--and I repeat again--warn TIM (BUCK) to be careful of him. Tell the Canadians that FOSTER realizes that it is necessary, from time to time, to purge a Party member. But we do not agree with purging as a matter of principle."

WATT told NY 694-S to warn BUCK that FEINGLASS planned to go to Canada "to fire" two top officials in the Canadian Furriers Union. WATT stated, "Tell BUCK that so far we have managed to avoid a factional fight. At the moment there is unanimity in the New York Furriers Local Board. Nevertheless there are many Party members, both in the Council and in the International, who are going farther to the right each day, MEYER KLIG being the classic example. He is now the worst of the lot."

"We (the Cr., USA) never agreed with FEINGLASS on a deal such as he contemplates. Tell the Canadians not to be impressed by MEANY's (GEORGE MEANY, head of AFL) alleged sentiments regarding 'the fur merger'. For the time being, he is content inasmuch as BEN GOLD and IRVING POTASH have been 'kicked out' of the Fur and Leather Workers Union. So far we have indications that MEANY will not demand more purges in the F and L until the fall. If FEINGLASS tells the Canadians that MEANY, or GORMAN (AMBWU head) are presently demanding purges, he is maneuvering."

WATT told NY 694-S to explain to the Canadian CP that it was unfortunate that GEORGE MORRIS had written in the "Daily Worker" issue of May 2, 1955, that he had heard on the floor of the Fur Council meeting a rumor that purges would be effected in the Canadian Fur Local. The informant was to emphasize to TIM BUCK that the "Daily Worker" had made a serious mistake--that such a story should not have appeared on its pages.

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NY 694-S also was to stress the fact that the CP, USA, at no time had endorsed the purges contemplated by FEINGLASS, and that the American Party never would do anything to injure the Canadian Party. WATT said that even had the CP, USA, approved the purges, it first would have consulted the Canadian Party regarding the latter's reaction to the said purges.

WATT also instructed NY 694-S to inform the Canadian CP that the "UE" situation has changed. Whereas the "UE" leadership had agreed on merger, the said leadership now is split. The top leadership is opposed to merger. This is a dangerous situation since the union is becoming weaker each day. Losses in left-wing locals are particularly startling. Whereas membership used to be 500,000, it is now 80,000 if not less.

WATT stated that NY 694-S should call to the attention of the Canadian CP the views of the CP, USA, regarding certain provisions of the AFL - CIO "merger constitution".

1. The provision concerning trade union democracy is a weak point since it requires meetings only once every two years.

2. The CP, USA, is opposed to the "witch-hunt" provision (expulsion of Communists).

3. The CP, USA, demands more autonomy in locals and internationals.

4. The CP, USA, regards "the Negro provision" as very weak.

5. The CP, USA, demands protection for the industrial unions. It is interested in preventing the craft unions from "swallowing" the industrial unions.

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WATT then requested that NY 694-S obtain from the Canadian CP a statement of its opinion regarding the over-all AFL - CIO merger.

WATT then mentioned that ROSS RUSSELL of the Canadian UE had been coming regularly to New York for discussions of UE and other trade union matters. RUSSELL and WATT had had some disagreements, RUSSELL feeling that the Americans were pushing the UE too fast toward merger.

WATT said that the Canadians must realize that in view of the alarming loss of membership in the UE in the USA, "time is of the essence". If the UE should wait much longer, it would have no bargaining power left. The Canadians should appreciate the fact that the Canadian UE situation is better than the situation in the USA because in Canada they have big factory locals like General Electric. The Canadians must understand "the spot" that the UE in the USA is on.

WATT concluded his instructions to NY 694-S by stating that the Canadian CP leadership should consider a meeting of a leading Canadian and a leading American comrade to discuss the trade union situation. Since no CP, USA, functionary can travel to Canada with security, it was WATT's suggestion that the Canadians send a representative to New York.

Upon arrival in Toronto on 5/12/55, NY 694-S immediately contacted TIM BUCK, who very excitedly told the informant that the latter had been summoned to Toronto so hurriedly because ABE FEINGLASS was at the moment conferring with BILL KASHTON, Canadian CP trade union functionary, regarding the furriers situation, and that since some very serious questions were being raised, NY 694-S would have to rush back to the USA for an answer.

NY 694-S, who, until this time, had been unaware of the reason for the Canadian CI's desire to see him, then

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told BUCK that GEORGE WATT had "briefed" him regarding the furriers situation, and that the informant was prepared to present the CP, USA, position concerning the purges contemplated by FEINGLASS.

BUCK waited only long enough to hear that the CP, USA, opposed the purges. He asked NY 694-S to "stand by" in order that BUCK might go to bring KASHTON to a conference with the informant.

BUCK returned sometime later with KASHTON, who had just completed a conference with FEINGLASS.

NY 694-S explained the CP, USA, position with respect to FEINGLASS to BUCK and KASHTON. KASHTON became very excited and said, "Mind, you. I am not the diplomat with the American Party that TIM is. It's 'OK' for me to talk to you since we consider you half-Canadian. This is the second time in the last year when the Americans were late in coming to us on the trade union problem. First we waited a long time to learn your thinking on the Amalgamation. Now on the purges. FEINGLASS is in town and is speaking to us like a Party member, particularly telling us that he has the 'OK' of the 'old man' (FOSTER) on 'firing' our two leading 'guys'."

KASHTON then had to leave to prepare for another conference with FEINGLASS, after which he was to report the results thereof to the Canadian CP leadership. It was agreed that NY 694-S should meet BUCK later to ascertain the details of KASHTON's next meeting with FEINGLASS.

Upon meeting BUCK later, the informant was furnished the following information:

FEINGLASS had come to Toronto "to fire" the two Canadian fur functionaries, and was "in a hurry" to do so. When KASHTON said to FEINGLASS, "This is not the thinking

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"of the American Party; they tell us that they are opposed to this purge, and that you are not being honest with us", FEINGLASS exhibited to KASHTON a letter from the International, dated 5/2/55, signed by GORMAN, reflecting that the two officials, as of 5/2/55, were "fired".

FEINGLASS said, "Why quibble with you people? These two have been 'fired' as of this date. In fact, I came in to be nice about it. I am offering them six months pay, and will permit them to get out gracefully--that is, by resigning."

According to BUCK, the meeting between KASHTON and FEINGLASS at this point was discontinued, and KASHTON reported the result of the conference to the Canadian CP leadership. The said CP leadership came to the conclusion that FEINGLASS had come to Toronto "to do a job" for the union despite what the Canadian CP might think about the situation. The proof was that, when confronted with the CP, USA, position regarding the purges, he had no argument except to wave a letter and say, "Well, I'm doing it anyhow".

On the following day, NY 694-S met KASHTON who told the informant the following:

FEINGLASS was determined to "fire" the fur officials, and would do so formally on 5/21/55. This was only the beginning of purges--more would follow later. As a matter of fact, FEINGLASS had a private agreement with "FEDERMAN" (Ph, FNU), a right-winger who has an opposing fur local of 400 members in Canada, and has the support of [REDACTED]

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According to the said agreement, "FEDERMAN" will assume leadership in Canada. FEINGLASS made one concession to KASHTON: If there should be no factional fight, he would not dismiss the office staff immediately. If there should be a fight, he would dissolve the Canadian office and operate from the USA.

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FEINGLASS then told KASHTON that he did not wish to see the latter again, and that when he should come to Toronto during the next week, there would be nothing further to discuss. KASHTON then made the following comments to NY 694-S:

"This situation does not concern only the furriers. The main reason for the Canadian CP's concern is that a dangerous precedent is being established, and this should worry the CP, USA, as well as the Canadian CP. If this first merger could have been effected without incident--without the 'firing' or isolation of Communists--a good example for the rest of the unions would have been set. But, speaking for the Canadian unions, if 'our guys' in the other Canadian unions see what is happening in 'Fur and Leather'--that Communists are being purged--how can we tell these people--UE members, for example--that merger is a good thing? Their answer to us will be, 'Why should we merge? If we do, we too shall be "fired", and we shall lose our union'."

"This is why the furrier situation is so important. As a matter of fact, we are thinking seriously that it would be best that we act independently. Otherwise we shall be swallowed by right-wing control, and in some cases even lose our identity completely. It is bad enough that your 'bloody' finance capital comes in and tries to 'take over' our country. Now your labor bureaucrats are trying to take away our unions. Not only do we lose the unions, but Party members as well."

Following these remarks of KASHTON, NY 694-S gave KASHTON a detailed account of the matters which GEORGE WATT had requested to be reported to the Canadian CP. The informant suggested that in view of the seriousness of the situation, KASHTON attempt to contact WATT in the USA, or, if not possible that KASHTON do so, some other leading Canadian CP functionary contact WATT. The informant further

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suggested that KASHTON prepare a memorandum reflecting the Canadian CP position regarding mergers, which NY 694-S might deliver to the CP, USA.

On the informant's next and last meeting with KASHTON, the latter gave NY 694-S a memorandum as requested, stating that it had been prepared hurriedly, and that he had not had time to discuss the memorandum at length with the Canadian CP leadership.

The following is a transcript of the aforesaid memorandum:

"On the Mergers

"1... We fully support the mergers here. It is not only a fact which cannot be ignored; it is also an important fact opening up possibilities for considerable advance for the labor movement in the period ahead. However the way it is being carried through emphasises the need for a strong, positive lead in a number directions, above all, in the direction of giving the merger a democratic content. The fight for Trade Union Democracy which was always important now takes on greater urgency if the merger is to move along the path desired by the rank and file.

"2... In the given situation we are emphasising over and above the need for concentrating on the great task of organizing the unorganized, working towards one union in every industry, strengthening the wage fight and stimulating legislative and political action in the fight for full employment and against crisis policies. The need to make the Constitution a Democratic Canadian Constitution. Around this slogan there are the possibilities of stimulating and advancing the fight for a greater measure of Autonomy, democracy and all-inclusiveness - as steps in the direction of achieving an independent Canadian Trade Union movement.

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"3... The fight to give the merger a democratic content from within must go side by side with the fight of the progressive led unions to become part of the merger. This is generally accepted here but the way in which the F&L merger has been consummated has tended to build up strong resistance to such types of mergers.

"4... It is difficult from here to assess the situation fully and draw all the conclusions necessary. But the AFL Council decision on the merger which some left wing papers called 'Conciliatory' leave much to be desired. Our impression is that the sword will be left hanging as additional pressure until progressive elements are excluded. From this point of view we cannot understand why agreement was arrived at by those one considered friends, to the end that leading elements here have been thrown to the wolves and more are on the hopper. The end result of this type of merger will be a strengthening of right wing social democratic elements and the complete routing, demorazilation and defeat of those who built the union here.

"We are appreciative of your opinions on the matter of purges. This is our view also and has been for sometime. However unless this becomes the view of those in F&L who can say no, then only one alternative lies open - to resist as best we can, slow down the operation, but in the final analysis recognise that work has to be conducted in a right led union. These unpleasant truths will have to be told the workers here who have followed us for many years, and who have assumed that the F&L leadership across the line pursue progressive policies.

"The closest consultations and agreements are therefore absolutely essential if something is still to be saved out of this merger. This applies also with respect to over-all perspectives. The constitution which now has been agreed upon appears to have closed the door to Mergers ala F&L, taking

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"it from its positive sides. This may or may not be the case. It may well work to keep the doors open. Certainly this ought to be explored to the maximum because a fluid situation keeps the door open. However we have advised our friends here not to move from panic or consider the question of timing in its narrowest context. It is not precluded that there may be more time providing that time is used to best advantage. Certainly the situation here is not such where the progressive lod unions are either falling apart, disintegrating or unable to perform the functions of a union. Neither is the door closed to continuing efforts at expanding organization.

"The fact is that the results of the F&L merger has tended to stiffen the sentiments of the workers in these unions. They are placing demands on their leaders that conditions be laid down for any discussions leading to mergers. This is a good thing and needs to be properly used, not to shy away from the fight, but to strengthen that fight. It is one thing to go into negotiations based on inner difficulties and weaknesses; it is another thing to enter such negotiations with the membership united behind their leaders. Our view therefore is that all these unions should formulate positions and 'conditions' as a basis for honorable negotiations. It strengthens the membership and unites them behind any given policy. At the same time it gives the leadership a point from which to advance or retreat as the case may be.

"In line with this we have advised our friends to do as follows: a) formulate a position towards the merger as such and the conditions upon which they will negotiate b) strengthen the fight for united action at every level possible on economic and other issues; c) expand organization of the unorganized d) explore the possibilities for no raiding pacts and other agreements seeks out those unions within the TCL and CCL with whom with whom it may be possible to work as part of the fight to become part of the merger.

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"One other thing is essential. The F&L merger and the way it was consummated must not and cannot become a pattern for these other unions. To avoid that, it is essential that they have the freedom of action along the lines of M.M. This is not an abstract, political ideal; it is related to the ability of electrical. Let us say, being able to negotiate on conditions which safeguards all concerned. This is important not only for the folks here; it is equally important from their friends across the line. If there are no built in safe guards now, no merger will give it. On the other hand such safe gurads enable both sides to negotiate on a basis which gives a minimum of protection to all concerned.

"The argument has been used by our friends in the industry that such a situation would weaken negotiations. The best answer to that is the way the negotiations in the F&L have been carried out before and since. It has also been argued that this does not represent our point of view. For the record we wish to make clear that we believe in such a constitutional amendment essential and trust this will become the view of our friends in the industry. It has been further argued that progressives should be in the main stream. This is absolutely correct. Providing that they get into the mainstream. The F&L affair however precludes that, apparently with the agreement with our freinds in the industry.

"Mergers of that kind could have been carried through long ago and carried through now with perhaps better terms for the progressives here.

"This is not to suggest that we are masters of the situation. far from it. Neither does it mean that the mergers are opposed. But the proposals made above will facilitate the fight on the two sided way w hich is necessary 1) within the TLC and CCL 2) On the part of the progressive led unions. It may well be that in the end the conditions of the mergers may be no different than the one F&L carried through. On the other hand the political and economic

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"developments may make it easier to arrive at agreements, which, while not precluding casualties, will not eliminate progressives from the mergers no matter how they are com-summated.

"We would like to hear from you on these matters.

"As ever,"

Before leaving KASHTON, NY 694-S was instructed by the latter to contact GEORGE WATT, and to ask WATT certain questions, the answers to which KASHTON desired as soon as possible. It was agreed that NY 694-S should call KASHTON from a telephone booth in New York City, and then have WATT take the telephone and talk to KASHTON directly. The first question was whether, in the event the Canadians should decide to fight FEINGLASS, the Furriers Council in New York would support the Canadians in their fight. The second question was whether, if their dismissal should be inevitable, the two Canadian fur functionaries should resign, or permit themselves to be "fired". The third question was whether, since KASHTON deemed it imprudent to cross the border, the CP, USA, could offer an alternative suggestion regarding a meeting of KASHTON and an American CP trade functionary.

Upon returning to New York on 5/17/55, NY 694-S was unable to contact GEORGE WATT, who was out of town. Through PHIL BART, CP, USA, Organizational Secretary, the informant contacted BERNARD FRIEDLANDER, Trade Union Secretary of the New York State CP.

FRIEDLANDER, according to BART, "lives with the trade union situation". After being acquainted with KASHTON's problems, FRIEDLANDER suggested that NY 694-S telephone KASHTON as agreed early in the morning of 5/18/55, and request the latter to stand by for a call from New York

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at 10:00 a.m. In the meantime, FRIEDLANDER stated, he would contact LEON STRAUSS of the Furriers Council in New York to ascertain whether STRAUSS could give him specific answers to KASHTON's questions.

On 5/18/55, as agreed, NY 694-S called KASHTON and introduced FRIEDLANDER, who then engaged in conversation with KASHTON. By arrangement between KASHTON and NY 694-S in Toronto, this conversation was coded in that FEINGLASS was referred to as "Dr. AXEMAN", the two Canadian fur officials to be dismissed by FEINGLASS as "the patients", the dismissal of the said officials as "surgery", and the New York Furriers Council and STRAUSS as "the internes".

NY 694-S heard FRIEDLANDER tell KASHTON the following:

"We are opposed to the 'firings' and never agreed to what FEINGLASS is doing. He is misrepresenting the case. The New York Furriers Council is 'closed' to FEINGLASS. Since they control the Furriers Council in New York, the Party will not allow FEINGLASS to do anything. Inasmuch as the 'firings' are scheduled for Thursday evening, May 19, will you (KASHTON) give me (FRIEDLANDER) 30 hours during which to see what pressure can be brought to bear on FEINGLASS before he leaves for Canada. We will try to prevent the 'firings'. In the next 30 hours I (FRIEDLANDER) will contact LEON STRAUSS of the Furriers Council, give him the details of what you (KASHTON) have told me, and induce him to talk sense to FEINGLASS. The question of resigning or 'being fired' is a Canadian problem, but if I were a Canadian, I would resist 'being fired'. As regards the meeting between you (KASHTON) and an American trade functionary, I shall get an answer for you tomorrow."

According to NY 694-S, FRIEDLANDER terminated the conversation with KASHTON after arranging for a

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telephonic contact with KASHTON on Thursday, 5/19/55, at 4:00 p.m., it being agreed that if WATT should be in town, the latter would join in the call to KASHTON.

Pursuant to the above arrangements, NY 694-S met FRIEDLANDER on 5/19/55, the latter being accompanied by an individual whom FRIEDLANDER introduced only as "AL, who is familiar with furriers' problems". According to NY 694-S, "AL" was about 40 years of age, about 5' 8" in height, weight about 190 pounds, had light brown hair and gray eyes. "AL" said little, if anything, during NY 694-S' meeting with him and FRIEDLANDER, the latter having done all the talking.

Before telephoning to KASHTON, FRIEDLANDER told NY 694-S that LEON STRAUSS had contacted FEINGLASS, and told the latter that he was aware of what FEINGLASS had done in Canada and of what FEINGLASS' intentions were. STRAUSS tried to "talk sense" to FEINGLASS. FEINGLASS denied many of the allegations made concerning him. He said he had not gone to Canada to "fire" two people. He had thought that he might "fire" one, but he as yet had not decided the matter.

FRIEDLANDER then spoke to KASHTON after NY 694-S had called the latter on the telephone. FRIEDLANDER told KASHTON what he previously had told NY 694-S. He further told KASHTON that, as a result of STRAUSS' pressure on FEINGLASS, the latter might talk to KASHTON again despite his having said that he would have nothing further to say to KASHTON.

FRIEDLANDER told KASHTON that by all means the Canadian Party and the Canadian furriers should resist FEINGLASS because, more important than the "firing" of these two people, was the fact that if FEINGLASS should succeed in his maneuvers, there would be a one-sided leadership in the Fur and Leather Workers Union.

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FEINGLASS, he said, undoubtedly was attempting to get rid of the Fur leaders so that the Leather workers might be dominant. FEINGLASS, FRIEDLANDER further stated, would like "to play the same game" in the USA if he could; but the opposition is too powerful. The Canadians should treat him as a bully "who picks on the smaller guy".

The conversation between KASHTON and FRIEDLANDER ended with FRIEDLANDER's requesting that the CP, USA, be advised concerning the results of the meeting in Toronto at which FEINGLASS was to "fire" the Canadian fur officials.

FRIEDLANDER then told NY 694-S that, with respect to the suggested meeting of KASHTON and an American trade union functionary, the Party had decided it best that an American go by plane to Buffalo, and there contact a local comrade who should transport him across the border in a "clean" car. Canadians should meet them in Niagara Falls, Ontario, and the meeting should be held there in a private home of the Canadians' choosing.

The meeting should be held three or four weeks subsequent to 5/19/55, and NY 694-S should arrange the details thereof with TIM BUCK. It should be noted that as yet the informant has not made such arrangements with TIM BUCK.

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Before leaving Toronto, NY 694-S contacted [redacted]

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As will be recalled from previous SASH letters, ISIDORE NEEDLEMAN has been awaiting a message from the Soviets which is to be transmitted to him through [redacted]. The informant had been requested by NEEDLEMAN to ascertain

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whether [redacted] was in receipt of the said message.

Upon inquiring concerning the message, NY 694-S was informed by [redacted] that it had not arrived as yet, and that NEEDLEMAN "would have to wait". Commenting concerning this matter, [redacted] said, "He (NEEDLEMAN) is asking the Russians something so 'delicate' that you can't ask them twice."

Subsequently, after his return to New York City, NY 694-S telephonically informed NEEDLEMAN that, according to [redacted] there was no message for NEEDLEMAN. NEEDLEMAN was upset at hearing this, and immediately went by taxicab to the informant's office in the hope of obtaining more information regarding this matter. When NY 694-S, speaking personally to NEEDLEMAN, assured the latter that [redacted] had no further information concerning the message, NEEDLEMAN appeared agitated, but said nothing indicating the nature of the message he is awaiting from the Soviets.

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[redacted] then stated that four leading CP functionaries would leave for the Soviet Union on or about 5/22/55 for "refresher courses". By this, according to NY 694-S, [redacted] meant that they would receive medical treatment for 30 days, and that thereafter, for the duration of their visit, they would be "briefed" by the CCCPSU regarding problems in their respective fields of CP activity.

[redacted] identified one of these individuals as OSCAR KOGAN, CP Organizer in Toronto, another as "JIM", and a third as "NORM". He made no attempt to identify the fourth. NY 694-S has no idea of who "JIM" and "NORM" may be. According to [redacted] one of these individuals--he did not mention whom--has instructions to see WILLIAM Z. FOSTER's [redacted] who is receiving medical and psychiatric treatment in Russia. This individual is scheduled to return to Canada on 7/2/55.

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[redacted] also told the informant that 54 delegates from the Canadian Peace Conference would attend the World Peace Conference at Helsinki, Finland, on 6/22/55. The originally scheduled date for the said conference had been 5/22/55, but, on account of the British elections and the signing of the Austrian Peace Treaty in Vienna, the said conference had been postponed.

Among the aforesaid delegates would be six members of the Canadian Parliament from Saskatchewan. These six are also members of the CCF (Canadian Commonwealth Federation). The leader of this Parliamentary group is "SPENCE" (PH) who, together with five other delegates to the conference (not members of Parliament), would go to Moscow after the conference.

[redacted] also advised that the Women's International Democratic Federation would hold a "World Congress of Mothers" in Moscow between 7/4/55 and 7/10/55. This date, [redacted] said, is tentative. The Canadian CP will send 30 delegates to this meeting, five of whom will go to China thereafter as guests of the Chinese Government.

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On 8/1/55, according to [redacted] there will be held in Warsaw, Poland, a "World Youth Festival" to which the Canadians will send 60 delegates. [redacted] stated that [redacted] LYL functionaries in the USA, had been in East Berlin last winter in connection with arrangements for this festival.

NY 694-S then conveyed to [redacted] a message from PHIL BART, CP, USA, functionary in charge of organization and finances, to the effect that the CP, USA, is subsidizing the Cuban CP to the extent of from \$4,000 to \$5,000 per year, and would appreciate any contribution from the Canadian CP to this subsidy.

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NY 694-S explained to [redacted] that, since Cuba is not part of the USA, it would be "politically correct" for the Canadian CP to assist in subsidizing the Cuban CP. [redacted] agreed to this, but stated that he would have to discuss the matter with the Canadian CP leadership. If agreeable to them, he said, a contribution to the subsidy would be made.

Referring to a current campaign "to rally" as many Slav groups as possible in North and South America (mentioned on page 9 of SASH letter, dated 3/22/55), [redacted] stated that "the Canadian comrade who is editor of a Canadian-Russian newspaper" had completed a tour of Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay, and had gone to Moscow, where he still is. He is expected to return to Canada on 7/1/55.

Upon his return, a conference of "language editors" will be held in Canada, and thereafter many of these editors will go to Moscow for a conference, tentatively scheduled for the period 7/1/55 to 7/4/55. [redacted] desired that the CP, USA, invite "a language editor" to join the Canadian editors.

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[redacted] then mentioned FRED ROSE, who, after his release from prison, went to Poland. [redacted] said that the rumor current in Canada to the effect that ROSE "was turning" and desired to return to Canada "to tell all" is completely false.

[redacted] also told NY 694-S to inform the CP, USA--particularly STEVE NELSON, CP, USA, Pittsburgh functionary--that there should be no misunderstanding concerning what the Canadian CP had told "the Croetian woman comrade from Pittsburgh" about TITO. She was told not to be too critical of TITO as a Fascist; that such criticism might create a misunderstanding among the Croetian and Yugoslav groups as to what the Soviet Union is attempting to accomplish as regards TITO--particularly as to what the CPSU is attempting

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[redacted] to accomplish. This woman, according to [redacted] had returned to Pittsburgh and submitted a report of her Canadian trip to a select CP group, among whom was STEVE NELSON.

[redacted] stated he had been advised that "STEVE NELSON had 'raised hell' about this, and refused to accept the order to 'soft-pedal' TITO. His (NELSON's) position is that TITO is--and always will be-- a 'bastard'."

[redacted] referred to his last trip to Moscow "when he sent in his memorandum concerning activities of Croetians and Yugoslavs in Canada to the CCCPSU". As a result of the submission of this memorandum, [redacted] stated, "A Russian 'big-shot' came to me and laid down the line. He told me the big problem was to win over TITO. All I did was listen. I did not dare criticize. These people (referring to NELSON) should do likewise. STEVE (NELSON) should 'shut up' and follow orders."

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[redacted] stated it was of utmost importance that NY 694-S advise the CP, USA, regarding this matter, and that the CP, USA, issue instructions to STEVE NELSON to refrain from criticizing TITO.

[redacted] then inquired whether the Detroit CP was prepared to send students to school in Canada which the Canadian CP had set up for the CP, USA. NY 694-S was unable to inform [redacted] in this regard.

On his return to New York, NY 694-S was informed by PHIL BART that "by reason of the manner in which the Detroit CP had negotiated this deal--particularly by reason of SAUL WELLMAN's negotiations--the National Office had turned thumbs down on it. Nobody will be going to the school." BART intimated that the National Office of the CP was annoyed with WELLMAN because the latter had usurped his authority in negotiations with the Canadian CP. BART did not furnish details in this regard.

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NORMAN FREED

NY 694-S, while in Toronto, also contacted NORMAN FREED, member of the Canadian CP National Committee in Charge of Education and "the peace Movement".

Referring to the World Peace Conference in Helsinki (mentioned above by [redacted]), FREED stated that a conference of a small group of leading CP people had been held in Toronto recently and the said conference had been concerned with "the Peace Movement". Among those present was "a Frenchman" (not otherwise identified) who is an international representative of "the Peace Movement". Also present was FRANCES WILLIAMS, "an American girl who is associated with 'the Peace Movement' in the USA." According to FREED, FRANCES WILLIAMS was given \$5,000 by the aforesaid international representative for "peace work" in the USA.

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FREED mentioned that no one in the Canadian CP knew how large a delegation to the Helsinki World Peace Conference the CP, USA, would send. He stated that "ENDICOTT SR.", head of the Canadian Peace Movement, would attend the World Peace Conference, and that immediately thereafter ENDICOTT would go to Moscow for medical treatment.

SAM CARR

In a brief meeting with SAM CARR, former member of a Canadian espionage ring, NY 694-S learned that as a result of a conference between CARR and Canadian CP officials, at which CARR protested his isolation from CP activities (mentioned in previous SASH letter), CARR now is working quietly on political research matters for the Canadian CP Secretariat. CARR seemed much happier than he had been in the past. He mentioned that he continues to be employed by his former partner, LOUIS BINDER, in the latter's business.

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CP, USA UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS
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On 4/25/55, NK 2010-S* furnished photographic reproductions of information in the possession of JACK KLING at his hideout in Newark, NJ. Among the material was the following note:

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"Dear Dick -

"Evidently this matter was unclear to me. He does not need to see you and does not plan to do so. Your date with him should not be kept on May 4th.

"He is sending a note making clear what he wants. I hope this clears the thing up -

"Phil"

NK 2010-S* previously established that DICK is JACK KLING and PHIL is PHIL BART. The "matter" refers to SOLOMON AUERBACH, wa: Jim Allan and makes reference to a meet scheduled on Wednesday, May 4, with JIM ALLAN at Parsons Blvd. station, Queens, Long Island, at 7:00 p.m. NK 2010-S* previously furnished information of this meet.

Attached for the information of the case file are photographs of the above note.

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1 - NY 100-19249 (JACK KLING) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-32826 (JIM ALLAN)

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MARTHA STONE
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No part info

According to NY 1475-16, who is in a position to furnish valuable information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 260 7th Avenue, NYC, on 6/7/55, MARTHA STONE, at CP Headquarters, was in contact with ERIC HARRIS. They discussed a typed article of from 10 to 15 pages of double spaced type, "White Chauvinism and related questions which was ready for Ed. (Political Affairs). HARRIS asked him what the final deadline was for each month. He stated that if the magazine was to be out by the first of the month, the material must be in the printer's hands not later than the 15th of the preceding month. MARTHA said she had another article which was written by BILL PASTER concerning the Negro question which was approximately 27 double spaced type written pages in length. She said she had a third article which she would give to Al (possibly ALBERT BLUMBERG) and he, in turn, would give it to SAC. She said that this third article concerned Civil Liberties and was about from 25 to 30 pages of double spaced type in length. She said he could edit it if he wished, and she also said she would try to get it to him that day if possible.

According to the informant on that same day, MARTHA STONE told PETE BANK that she was going to see SORRY STEWIE.

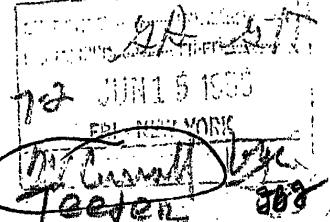
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- 1 - Rev. Marvin (100-11795) (MARTHA STONE) (SAC)
- 1 - NY (100-10512) (HARRIS & HARRIS) (12-14)
- 1 - NY (100-47147) (P. POLITICAL AFFAIRS) (7-2)
- 1 - NY (100-9345) (MELVIN Z. PASTER) (7-5)
- 1 - NY (100-9356) (ALBERT BLUMBERG) (7-1)
- ① - NY (100-56579) (PHIL BANK) (7-1)
- 1 - NY (100-56477) (SORRY STEWIE) (12-10)
- 1 - NY (100-37211) (CP, USA FASCISM) (12-14)
- 1 - NY (100-86646) (CP, USA NEGRO QUESTION) (12-14)

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MARTHA STONE
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According to NY 67-46, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at the National Headquarters of the CP, USA, 260 Seventh Avenue, New York City, on 4/13/55, HENRY APTEKER contacted ELVA LARSON at the CP headquarters. APTEKER advised that he had to speak with either MARTHA (believed to be MARTHA STONE) or PHIL (believed to be PHIL RAY), before 3 PM as that is the time he must leave. ELVA LARSON advised APTEKER that she did not know if either one was expected in.

The informant further advised that also on 4/13/55, LIL GATES contacted ELVA LARSON and asked for MARTHA (believed to be MARTHA STONE) or AL BRENNER. ELVA LARSON advised LIL GATES that neither one had come in as yet.

The informant subsequently advised that MARTHA STONE contacted ELVA LARSON on 4/13/55, at which time MARTHA STONE advised she would be in around 2 P.M. ELVA LARSON advised MARTHA STONE that she should get in touch with HENRY APTEKER.

Subsequently on 4/13/55, HENRY APTEKER recontacted ELVA LARSON at which time the latter advised APTEKER that MARTHA was due in at the CP headquarters around 2 P.M. APTEKER stated he could only wait until 3 PM to see her as he had to get a plane.

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1 - New Seven 100-24795 (MARTHA STONE)

- 1 - NY 100-39532 (HENRY APTEKER) (7-1-1)
- 1 - NY 100-26012 (ELVA LARSON) (7-1-1)
- 1 - NY 100-24795 (AL BRENNER) (7-1-1)
- 1 - NY 100-24795 (LIL GATES) (7-1-1)
- ① NY 100-26079 (PHIL RAY) (7-1-1)

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CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
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NY 1475-S#, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning CP National Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, advised that on 4/18/55, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, at CP National Headquarters, said that "We" allocated about \$10,000. a year for Negro work. BART (believed to be PHIL BART) contradicted him and said that the figure was about \$3,000. and that while he generally carried the figures with him, he did not have them at that time.

The informant further advised that later that same day [redacted] contacted LIGHTFOOT at CP National Headquarters and told him she was now working at the "Daily" (believed to be the "Daily Worker") every day, Monday through Friday.

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- 1 - NY (100-56579)(PHIL BART) (7-1)
1 - NY (100-90029) [redacted] (12-16)
1 - NY (100-80640)(CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION) (12-14)
1 - NY (97-169)(DAILY WORKER) (7-2)

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NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, advised that on 4/18/55, an individual believed to be PHIL BART was speaking at CP National Headquarters and said that there had been an informal discussion on the South and migration, but no study. An unidentified man said that HERB (possibly HERB WHHELDIN) is a member of that commission. BART said that such a commission meets out of "here". He said that somebody sees a necessity of this commission meeting once a month and the two individuals meeting every other day and going to nearby places like Jersey, Connecticut and Philadelphia. He said he tried to interest ABE MAGIL in such a thing, but did not get an answer, either yes or no, from him.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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- 1 - Newark (100-CP, U.A. ORGANIZATION)(RM)
- 1 - New Haven (100-CP, USA ORGANIZATION)(RM)
- 1 - NY (100-56579)(PHIL BART) (7-1)
- 1 - NY (100-9308)(HERB WHHELDIN) (7-1)
- 1 - NY (100-9352)(ABE MAGIL) (12-14)

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MARTHA STONE

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According to NY 2475-44, she is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 200 Seventh Ave., N.Y., on 3/15/55. MARTHA STONE asked LOIS KILSON if he had received his notice for the N.A.C. meeting that day. She stated that the meeting would start in fifteen minutes and added that KILSON is a "standing invitee" for every other Tuesday. She said SAM (possibly SAMUEL GOODMAN) is invited also.

During the course of the afternoon the following persons were either greeted or spoken to:

ROBERT (believed to be ROBERT STURGESS) who was greeted with "Hello ROBERT, welcome to New York, glad to see you" by an unidentified male individual;

WILLIAMS ;

AL MELVIN and

CHARLES WATT

According to the informant, MARTHA ordered lunches for approximately nine people through ROBERT (believed to be ROBERT STURGESS). The informant stated that MARTHA called WATT (possibly ISIDOR WATT) if he desired something and also BLAUM (possibly ISRAEL BLAUMSTEIN).

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- 1 - New Haven (100-34795) (MARTHA STONE) (Info) a.m.
- 1 - New York (100-) (SAMUEL GOODMAN) (Info) p.m.
- 1 - NY 240-41573 (ROBERT STURGESS) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 240-41573 (ALBERT MELVIN) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 240-41573 (CHARLES WATT) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 240-41573 (ROBERT WATT) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 240-41573 (ISRAEL BLAUMSTEIN) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 240-41573 (ISRAEL BLAUMSTEIN) (7-6)
- 1 - NY 240-41573 (CP, USA ORGANIZATION) (12-24)

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~~INFO TO JEW~~

According to the informant the discussion at the meeting concerned itself for the most part with German rearmament and a proposal to ban the use of atomic weapons. No detailed account of the discussion, however, was available to the informant.

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SAC, New York (100-80347)

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According to NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, on 3/31/55, PHIL BART told an unidentified man that he had spent two full days in Chicago. He said that he had met with MOLLY (believed to be MOLLY WEST) and MORRIS (believed to be MORRIS CHILDS) while he was in Chicago. He added that he was unable to see "one of the other guys". He went on to say that when he was in Detroit he met with HELEN and CARL WINTER and a few others.

The informant further advised that on that same day, MARTHA STONE asked PHIL BART how much money they had so far, and he replied that for the first three months of 1955 the income was as follows: January, 1955 - \$7,898; February, 1955 - \$20,399; and March, 1955 - \$5,955, making a total in all of \$38,252.

MARTHA STONE commented to PHIL BART that the Civil Rights Congress, which she designated as the C.R.C., is the "legal arm and defense of the party". At this point, according to the informant, PHIL BART stated that Michigan was promised \$5,000 for defense and one of their lawyers cost them \$9,000. He also added that they raised \$3,000 for the appeal.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

- 1 - Chicago (100-) (PHIL BART) (Info)
- 1 - Chicago (100-) (MORRIS CHILDS) (Info)
- 1 - Detroit (100-) (HELEN ALLISON WINTER) (Info)
- 1 - Detroit (100-) (CARL WINTER) (Info)
- 1 - Detroit (100-) (COMPASS) (Info)
- 1 - Newark (100-2974) (MARTHA STONE) (Info)
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE) (Info)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-27539 (CARL WINTER) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-74560 (CP, USA FUNDS) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-80675 (CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS) (7-2)
- 1 - NY 100-69936 (HELEN ALLISON WINTER) (7-5)

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Director, FBI (100-3-3)

6/1/55

SAC, New York (100-745-0)

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CP, USA - UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS
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On 5/21/55, NY 2010-44 made available to the Newark Office photographic reproductions of various documents then in their possession of JACK KLEIN, CP Underground functionary. Included in this material was a memorandum believed to be written by PHIL BART, member of the CP National Administrative Committee, to LOUISIANE BART, a CP Underground leader. This memorandum is quoted in detail below:

"How to the prevential and whipper problems - MONEY.

"1. We sent through on April 27th - \$5,000. We will send through now - 11,000. I am holding it for next week to send it through other channels because I do not want to use mine. I understand, the person would have to hold on to it for a week. I thought it is too much to let an individual hold without knowing what arrangements the person has. You will have it in a week.

"2. I do not know if I can send you through all reports on money now. It is quite difficult and I do not have the facilities to do it. I am sending through some material - will try to get the balance. If I will you may have to straighten it out when you are able to see the reports and send it on. I am sorry to place it in this way but I am sure that you and others will bear with me (and I mean Party and myself) and some of the facts will have to wait for a while. I am sending along the 1/54 report which should help to clear up the previous year.

"The 1/54 report from Party inc

"Received from Hill fund regular monthly payments of \$5,000. per month

60,000.

"Received from CP the following amounts-

- 1 - Bureau (100-3-34)
- 2 - Newark (1-07, TORCHES)
- (1-07, UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS)
- 1 - NY 100-37749 (JACK KLEIN) 7-1
- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONYANCK PARTY) 7-1
- 1 - NY 1-0-12967 (TRIADONE WGST) 7-1

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Letter to Director
NY 100-74560

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| "June 31 | 3,000 |
| March 31 | 7,000 |
| April | 4,250 |
| " | 1,500 |
| May | 5,500 |
| June | 4,050 |
| July | 4,500 |
| August | 5,000 |
| Sept. | 2,500 |
| Oct. | 4,000 |
| Nov. | 4,250 |
| Dec. | 5,250 |
| TOTAL | 52,500 |

"Drawn through U. Fund (not returned) 11,500
 TOTAL 76,000

"Add above from U. Fund 40,000
 Grand total **136,000.**"

The term "WILL fund" mentioned in above memorandum
refers to the C.I.A. USA reserve fund.

The above is being submitted for the information
of the Bureau.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: June 16, 1955

FROM : Director, FBI (100-3284)

SUBJECT: PHILIP BART
Internal Security - C
Smith Act of 1940

Reference is made to previous communications advising that the Department was considering prosecution of Bart for violation of the membership provision of the Smith Act.

By letter dated June 8, 1955, the Department advised that current Informant [redacted] could not be used as a key witness at this time. The Department requested that it be notified if there is any change in the availability status of NY-694-S, [redacted] or CG-5824-S. In the event there is a change in the status of any of these informants, the Bureau should be promptly notified under the Philip Bart caption.

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New York should closely follow the activities of Bart and submit an investigative report every three months. The next investigative report should be submitted to the Bureau by July 5, 1955.

2 cc - Chicago

2 cc - Philadelphia

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MEMORANDUM - U. S. GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-37320)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO [redacted]

SUBJECT: [redacted]
FORMER [redacted]

DATE: 6-16-55

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No pert info

The captioned individual testified as a Government witness in U. S. District Court in Chicago in January, 1955 at the trial of CLAUDE MACK LIGHTFOOT.

[redacted] is now available to testify, and his identity should hereafter be set forth under his true name and characterized as an individual who has furnished reliable information in the past, and a Communist Party member from 1944 to January, 1955.

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Copies of this memo are being directed to the files of the various individuals outside the Chicago Division on whom [redacted] has furnished information in the past.

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cc: 1-Boston (100-[redacted])(RM)
 1-Buffalo (100-[redacted])(RM)
 1-Cleveland (100-PETER WNOROWSKI)(RM)-
 17-Detroit (100-PEGGY WELLMAN)(RM)
 (100-MARGARET NELSON)(RM)
 (100-TOM X. DOMBROWSKI)(RM)
 (100-LEO KRZYCKI)(RM)
 (100-BEN KOCEL)(RM)
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(100-GIL GREEN)(RM)
(100-BENJAMIN DAVIS, JR.)(RM)
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(100-LOUIS SASS)(RM)
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(100-MARTIN YOUNG)(RM)
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2-Omaha (100-[redacted])

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(100-MARCUS MURPHY)(RM)

(100-WILLIAM SENTNER)(RM)

2-Springfield (100-[redacted])(RM)

(100-DON HARRIS)(RM)

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NY, 6/17/55

Detroit

PHILIP BART, was; IS-C & SMITH ACT 1940

NY 693-S# this date advised that subject during contact with MARTHA ~~MR~~ STONE, stated he is leaving NYC on the evening of 6/20/55. Info previously received indicates that the subject may be planning a trip to the Detroit area. For info.

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2-Detroit (RM) (100-14627)
1-J. T. NEAGLE

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FBI, CHICAGO (100-18953)

JUNE 17, 1955

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69) (AM) (RM)

CP, USA - ORGANIZATION. IS - C

Extreme care should be used in handling the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on 6/17/55 that in recent conversations with CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and SAM KUSHNER, it was learned that LIGHTFOOT and KUSHNER, who originally planned to go to Detroit, Mich., from Chicago on Sunday, 6/19/55, had changed these plans and will leave Chicago for Detroit on Monday afternoon or evening, 6/20/55.

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- 2 - Detroit (AM) (RM)
1 - 100- (CP, USA - Organization)
1 - 100- (CP, USA - Strategy in Industry)
- ④ - New York (AM) (RM)
1 - 100-80641 (CP, USA - Organization)
1 - 100-69590 (CP, USA - Strategy In Industry)
~~1 - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)~~
1 - 100-63755 (LEON NELSON)
- 4 - Chicago
1 - A)134-46
1 - 61-867 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
1 - 100-2748 (SAM KUSHNER)
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It is noted that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT is a member of the National Administrative Committee and Chairman of the Illinois - Indiana District of the CP.

KUSHNER is a member of the District Secretariat and District Board of the Illinois - Indiana District of the CP in charge of trade union activities.

While in Detroit, KUSHNER and LIGHTFOOT will be joined by PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee of the CP who holds a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the CP, and by NELLIE (LEON NELSON), Organizational Secretary of the New York District of the CP. These four CP leaders will constitute a national commission on organization appointed by the National Administrative Committee of the CP with LIGHTFOOT and BART in charge to go to Detroit as an inspection team to review all phases of the CP organization, factionalism and strategy in industry, due to the fact that the Detroit District of the CP is having difficulties and is not in line with the rest of the CP, particularly on the matter of organization.

It is contemplated that this national commission will spend approximately one week in Detroit, however, KUSHNER plans to leave Detroit for New York City on Friday, 6/24/55, to attend a meeting of the National Trade Union Commission of the CP scheduled for the week-end of 6/25-26/55 in New York City. KUSHNER plans to return to CG from New York City on Monday, 6/27/55.

CG 5824-S will not go to Detroit since he will be operating the Illinois - Indiana District of the CP inasmuch as LIGHTFOOT, KUSHNER and MOLLIE WEST, Organizational Secretary of this District, who is on vacation, will be away from this District. It is believed that CG 5824-S will receive some info on the Detroit situation from LIGHTFOOT and/or KUSHNER upon their return to CG and the Bureau and New York and Detroit will be advised of any info received in this regard.

HOSTETTER

SAC, New York (100-51820) (7-2)

6/13/55

SA JAMES E. REILLY

JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE
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NY 1475-S* advised that on 4/18/55, an unidentified man was speaking with PHIL BART at CP Headquarters. The man said he knew that the Jefferson School could not pay him better because they were broke. He said that he had two children, his father-in-law died, and he added that the expense of his mother-in-law was running his account into deficits of \$20.00 a week. According to the informant, he said that one child was either 7 or 11, so his wife could not work full time as his daughter needs an eye operation in about another year. Consequently, he would have to hold back for 2 or 3 years; however, he could give the school one night a week plus weekends, but not 3 or 4 nights a week. BART asked him who was "up there beside the two of them." The man said one fellow is "shipping". He said he was leaving that night with Manhattan regarding BILL's book (believed to be WILLIAM Z. FOSTER).

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: DETROIT.....URGENT
 PHILIP BART, WAS; IS DASH C; SMITH ACT OF NINETEEN FORTY. DETROIT
 FILE ONE HUNDRED DASH ONE FOUR SIX TWO SEVEN. REMAIRTEL JUNE SEVENTEEN, 55
 LAST. NY SIX NINE THREE DASH S ASTERISK ADVISED THIS DATE SUBJECT
 MADE RESERVATION UNDER NAME P. BART ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT
 LEAVING LA GUARDIA FIELD, NYC, AT SEVEN FIFTY FIVE A.M., JUNE TWENTY ONE,
 NEXT. THIS FLIGHT ARRIVES NON STOP, DETROIT, NINE TWENTY AM SAME
 DATE. NO INFO RE PURPOSE OF TRIP. DETROIT WILL GIVE COVERAGE OF
 SUBJECT'S ACTIVITIES ^{THROUGH} SECURITY INFORMANTS AND ESTABLISHED SOURCES.

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FBI, CHICAGO (100-13953)

JUNE 21, 1955

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69) (AM REGISTERED)

CP, USA - (ORGANIZATION) IS - C.

100-274-46

Extreme care should be used in handling the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

Replayairtel 6/17/55 captioned as above pertaining to four CP leaders constituting a CP National Commission on organization meeting during the present week in Detroit, Michigan to review all phases of CP organization and other matters pertaining to the Detroit District of the CP.

CG 5-24-46, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised F. JOHN J. KAPITANO on 6/21/55 that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and SAM KUSHNER had left Chicago for Detroit on Monday evening 6/20/55 and that the informant had been told by LIGHTFOOT that he, LIGHTFOOT, will return to Chgo. on Friday, 6/24/55 accompanied by ERIL BART who will spend sometime in Chicago. The possibility exists that BART will stay at the residence of the informant if he comes to Chicago.

The Bureau, New York, and Detroit offices will be advised of any further details obtained in this regard.

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- 1 - DETROIT (AM REGISTERED) (100-
2 - NEW YORK (100-80641, CP, USA - (ORGANIZATION) (100-56579, ERIL BART)
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Newark (100-2974)
FROM : SAC, New York (100-66211)
SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE
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DATE: 6/21/55

100-56579-1105
[Redacted]

According to NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, on 4/1/55, MARTHA STONE told BILL ALBERTSON that the "Hastings-Mann" article was generally accepted in Los Angeles, but that there were two points of criticism, one of which was that it was one sided. She added that in Detroit they said that it was okay but weak. She also said that in New Jersey they were in general agreement with the article.

MARTHA STONE then told BILL ALBERTSON that NELLIE (believed to be LEON NELSON), SI (believed to be SIMON GERSON), DOXIE (believed to be DOXIE WILKERSON), GEORGE (believed to be GEORGE WATT), PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART), CLAUDE (believed to be CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) and herself would meet to discuss the article which would be written concerning the "Hastings-Mann" article.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

RM

- 1 - New Haven (100-14795)(MARTHA STONE)(RM)
- 1 - Detroit (100-CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION)(RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION (RM)
- 1 - Chicago (100-CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)(RM)
- 1 - New York (65-5604)(WILLIAM ALBERTSON) 7-5
- 1 - New York (100-63755)(LEON NELSON) 7-5
- 1 - New York (100-13473)(SIMON GERSON) 12-14
- 1 - New York (100-62509)(DOXIE WILKERSON) 12-11
- 1 - New York (100-18673)(GEORGE WATT) 7-1
- 1 - New York (100-56579)(PHIL BART) 7-1
- 1 - New York (100-98699)(CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) 7-5
- 1 - New York (100-80640)(CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION) 12-14

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (100-3-)

DATE: 6/21/55

FROM: SAC, New York (100-96985)

SUBJECT: CP, USA
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[redacted] orally advised SA RICHARD H. ELASSER of the following on 5/2/55:

Report info.
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MARTHA STONE, arrested NJ. Smith Act subject presently out on bail, is no longer head of the NJ, CP.

MERCEDES ARROYO, who appears to the informant as being a full time CP paid functionary, told informant over the week end of 5/1/55 that EVELYN WEINER, who has been on the CP payroll for a number of years, is no longer on the payroll. EVELYN WEINER has been told to get a job because the CP does not have the money to pay her. Informant ascertained that quite a number of Party people have been told to do the same thing.

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| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (MERCEDES ARROYO) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (EVELYN WEINER) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (CP, USA - Funds) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (CP, USA, District #2) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (CHARLES COE) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (CP, USA - Farm Matters) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (PHIL BART) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | [redacted] (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (JOHN STEUBEN) (RM) | b6 |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (March of Labor) (RM) | b7C |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | [redacted] (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (VINCENT HALLIMAN) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (Progressive Party) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (NATIONAL GUARDIAN) (RM) | |
| 1 - Bureau (100-) | (HARRY BRIDGES) (RM) | |
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NY 100-96985

It was the informant's opinion that the Party's financial status is desperate and the Party is therefore unable to maintain an extensive underground setup.

Informant advised a number of underground CP people in NJ and NY are now working in the "open" and it was informant's opinion that this trend toward "openness" is occurring in each state.

Informant advised he had no knowledge of any CP organizational conference having been held in NYC but stated if one was held, it probably dealt with the attempt of the CP to work more openly.

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| 1 - NY 100-93572 | (NATIONAL GUARDIAN) (#7-2) |

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Letter to Director
NY 100-96985

[redacted] advised he ascertained from CHARLES COE, member CP, USA - Farm Commission, recently that not only is CP farm activity in a state of flux, but also other types of CP activity.

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Informant advised [redacted] CP farm activity for PHIL BART, CP functionary, [redacted]

[redacted] the informant the CP has not sent any message or any kind to inquire about JOHN STEUBEN's health. STEUBEN recently suffered a heart attack. In addition, the CP has not offered JOHN STEUBEN any money to help him with his doctor and hospital bills.

[redacted] JOHN STEUBEN has been getting a small amount of money from the "March of Labor" but [redacted] is afraid the "March of Labor" may go under.

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[redacted] WILLIAM Z. FOSTER concerning STEUBEN's plight and apparent lack of interest by the Party in an effort to secure financial help for STEUBEN.

Informant advised ESTHER LETZ of the "March of Labor" recently visited JOHN STEUBEN at the hospital and hinted she is planning on leaving the "March of Labor" indicating the magazine may soon fail.

[redacted] also advised VINCENT HALLINAN, Progressive Party candidate for President with last Presidential elections, also recently visited JOHN STEUBEN and was unable, as a result of the visit, to promptly keep an appointment in NYC for a mass meeting for 7 P.M. the night of his visit.

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Letter to Director
NY 100-96985

According to the informant, HALLINAN was in NYC on a fund raising junket for either the Progressive Party or "National Guardian" as informant heard from some unrecalled source that HALLINAN was connected in some way with the "National Guardian".

[redacted] HARRY
BRIDGES has been mentally upset because his wife divorced him and has remarried.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (100-3-63) DATE: 6/21/55

FROM: SAC, New York (100-74560)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - FUNDS
IS - CCP, USA - UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS
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2-Bureau 100-3-94 (RM)
2-Newark (RM)
 (1-CP, Funds)
 (1-CP, Underground Operations
1-Cleveland (65-721) (ANTHONY KRCHMAREK) (RM)
1-Chicago (100-12259) (ARTHUR HAENDLE) (RM)
1-NY 100-96985
1-NY 100-82430 (IRVING HERMAN) 7-1
1-NY 100-28609 (GUSTAVE SIMON) 7-1
1-NY 100- (Ch. received wages from CP in 1953 per
 NK 2016-S*) 7-6
1-NY 100- (DOR, also known as Do received welfare
 payments from CP in 1953 per NK 2016-S*) 7-6
1-NY 100-37428 (CELESTE KAPLAN) 7-1
1-NY 100-27149 (HAL KLEIN) 7-1
1-NY 100- (JER received wage payments from CP in 1953
 per NK 2016-S*) 7-6
1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) 7-5
1-NY 100-20649 (EDWARD STRONG) 7-1
1-NY 100-87561 (ESTHER EISENSCHER) 7-1
1-NY 100-80347 (MOLLIE WEST) 7-6
1-NY 100-19249 (JACK KLING) 7-1
1-NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE) 7-5
1-NY 100-18672 (MAX WEISS) 7-1
1-NY 100-50712 (DAVID ROSENBERG) 7-1

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Re NY letter to Bureau, 5/17/55.

The following is an analysis of the 1953 CP financial report which was set forth in referenced letter. The figures shown in this analysis were obtained from the cash book and supporting records furnished by NK 2016-S* on 4/20/55. It is noted only partial records for 1953 were made available so that a complete analysis was not possible.

INCOME

1. Dues

The cash book for 1953 covered the period 6/1/53, to 12/31/53. The total dues received during this period as reflected in above book amounted to \$48,223.90 obtained as follows:

Alabama

| | |
|-------|--------------|
| 10-29 | \$13.58 |
| 10-29 | <u>11.61</u> |
| | \$25.19 |

Connecticut

| | | |
|-------|---------------|------------------|
| 9-28 | \$308.58 | (April - June) |
| 11-18 | 121.52 | |
| 12-16 | <u>245.96</u> | |
| | 676.06 | |

Florida

| | |
|------|---------|
| 11-8 | \$94.75 |
| | 94.75 |

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Illinois

| | |
|-------|---------------|
| 6-16 | \$413.43 |
| 8-19 | 933.15 |
| 10-24 | 900.90 |
| 11-6 | 130.20 |
| 11-6 | <u>116.10</u> |
| | 2,493.78 |

Indiana

| | |
|-------|---------------|
| 6-10 | \$143.57 |
| 12-28 | <u>142.67</u> |
| | 286.24 |

Iowa - Nebraska

| | |
|-----|----------------|
| 6-6 | <u>\$37.50</u> |
| | 37.50 |

Louisiana

| | |
|-------|----------------|
| 12-16 | <u>\$44.93</u> |
| | 44.93 |

Maryland

| | | |
|------|-----------------|----------------|
| 9-28 | <u>\$150.73</u> | (April - Juno) |
| | 450.73 | |

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Michigan

| | | |
|------|---------------|------------------|
| 6-6 | \$13.20 | (Upper Michigan) |
| 10-3 | <u>679.92</u> | |
| | | 693.12 |

Minnesota

| | | |
|-------|---------------|---------------|
| 6-29 | \$247.48 | (April - May) |
| 8-19 | 140.23 | |
| 8-19 | 103.05 | |
| 10-24 | <u>202.08</u> | |
| | | 692.84 |

Miscellaneous

| | |
|------|---------|
| 6-6 | \$20.00 |
| 7-2 | 19.00 |
| 7-9 | 21.75 |
| 7-24 | 44.70 |
| 7-24 | 8.00 |
| 9-4 | 29.50 |
| 9-28 | 40.45 |
| 10-1 | 30.00 |
| 10-5 | 13.00 |

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| | |
|-------|--------------|
| 10-29 | 20.00 |
| 11-1 | 3.00 |
| 11-6 | 18.75 |
| 11-12 | 20.50 |
| 12-11 | <u>26.00</u> |

314.65

New England

| | | |
|-------|---------------|----------------|
| 9-28 | \$407.47 | (April - June) |
| 11-18 | <u>106.28</u> | |

513.75

New Jersey

| | | |
|-------|---------------|----------------|
| 9-28 | \$1,284.40 | (April - June) |
| 11-18 | 508.76 | |
| 12-16 | <u>721.00</u> | |

2,514.16

New York

| | |
|------|----------|
| 7-2 | \$ 27.78 |
| 7-2 | 1,578.54 |
| 7-2 | 6,105.45 |
| 7-9 | 1,471.07 |
| 8-19 | 1,451.00 |

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| | | |
|-------|-----------------|---------|
| 8-19 | 3,337.30 | |
| 10-19 | 2,343.20 | |
| 10-19 | 2,327.43 | |
| 10-29 | 2,500.00 | Advance |
| 11-24 | 2,000.00 | Advance |
| 11-27 | 9,278.97 | |
| 12-21 | 5,026.30 | |
| 12-24 | <u>4,259.55</u> | |
| | 41,706.59 | |

North Carolina

| | | |
|-------|--------------|----------------------|
| 10-29 | \$25.98 | |
| 11-8 | <u>47.43</u> | (includes Tennessee) |
| | 73.41 | |

Ohio

| | |
|------|---------------|
| 6-6 | \$262.20 |
| 8-17 | <u>138.03</u> |
| | 400.23 |

Virginia

| | |
|------|----------------|
| 11-8 | <u>\$64.28</u> |
| | 64.28 |

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Western Pennsylvania

| | | |
|-------|--------------|---------|
| 9-17 | \$53.27 | (April) |
| 9-17 | 59.02 | (May) |
| 9-17 | 65.32 | (June) |
| 9-17 | 49.33 | (July) |
| 10-19 | <u>51.08</u> | |
| | | 278.02 |

Wisconsin

| | |
|-------|---------------|
| 6-10 | \$143.20 |
| 9-21 | 63.28 |
| 12-28 | <u>40.88</u> |
| | <u>247.36</u> |
| Total | \$51,607.59 |

From this total \$3,383.69 is deducted in the cash book and transferred to "assessments," thereby reducing the total dues received figure to \$48,223.90.

The following tabulation of dues receipts for the period 1/1/53 to 5/31/53 was prepared from information set out in supporting records made available by NK 2016-S*:

Alabama - Georgia

| | |
|------|----------------|
| 4-25 | <u>\$18.28</u> |
| | \$18.28 |

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California

5-1 \$2,992.46
5-29 6,692.34 (March)
 9,684.80

Colorado

5-1 \$104.78

 104.78

Connecticut

5-29 \$285.73
 285.73

Eastern Pennsylvania

5-29 \$1,088.02
 1,088.02

Florida

4-25 \$38.78
 38.78

Georgia

4-25 4.60
 4.60

Idaho

5-1 8.85
 8.85

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Illinois

| | |
|------|---------------|
| 2-26 | \$1,536.83 |
| 3-12 | 352.00 |
| 4-25 | 562.33 |
| 5-8 | <u>311.43</u> |
| | 2,762.59 |

Indiana

| | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 3-7 | <u>\$173.50</u> |
| | 173.50 |

Iowa - Nebraska

| | |
|-----|----------------|
| 2-5 | <u>\$73.50</u> |
| | 73.50 |

Louisiana

| | |
|------|--------------|
| 4-25 | \$19.05 |
| 4-25 | <u>59.20</u> |
| | 78.25 |

Maryland

| | |
|------|-----------------|
| 5-22 | <u>\$320.27</u> |
| | 320.27 |

Michigan

| | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 4-7 | <u>\$724.05</u> |
| | 724.05 |

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Minnesota

4-1 \$519.11

519.11

Miscellaneous

4-25 \$10.05

5-10 15.25

5-29 9.05

34.35

Montana

5-1 \$10.85

10.85

New England

5-29 \$498.15

498.15

New Jersey

5-29 \$1,577.02

(February - March)

1,577.02

New Mexico

5-1 \$40.70

40.70

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New York

| | |
|------|-----------------|
| 3-6 | \$14,289.55 |
| 4-3 | 1,438.33 |
| 4-7 | 2,405.38 |
| 5-22 | 2,700.00 |
| 5-23 | <u>5,684.05</u> |
| | (April 14-28) |
| | 26,517.31 |

North Carolina

| | |
|------|--------------|
| 4-25 | \$57.63 |
| 4-25 | <u>66.63</u> |
| | 124.26 |

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| | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 3-6 | <u>\$177.20</u> |
| | 177.20 |

Ohio

| | |
|------|--------------|
| 2-12 | \$200.40 |
| -12 | 161.23 |
| 3-16 | 162.72 |
| 5-8 | 210.43 |
| 5-8 | <u>51.55</u> |
| | 786.33. |

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Oregon

| | |
|-----|--------------|
| 3-6 | \$282.80 |
| 5-1 | <u>96.40</u> |
| | 379.20 |

Rocky Mountain

| | | |
|------|----------|---------|
| 5-29 | \$277.40 | (March) |
| | | 277.40 |

Texas

| | |
|------|--------------|
| 4-25 | \$50.08 |
| 4-25 | <u>63.88</u> |
| | 113.96 |

Utah

| | |
|-----|----------------|
| 5-1 | <u>\$41.35</u> |
| | 41.35 |

Washington

| | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 5-1 | <u>\$849.31</u> |
| | 849.31 |

Western Pennsylvania

| | |
|------|--------------|
| 3-12 | \$94.08 |
| 3-13 | 72.13 |
| 5-18 | <u>71.15</u> |
| | 237.36 |

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Wisconsin

2-25 \$186.00

186.00

(?)

4-25 \$38.92

Total 38.92
\$47,774.78

Recap

Dues (1/1-5/31/53) \$47,774.78
Dues (6/1-12/31/53) 48,223.90

\$ 95,998.68

2. Initiations.

The total initiations for the period
6/1/53 to 12/31/53 as reflected in above mentioned
cash book were \$35.50 derived as follows:

Illinois

8-19 \$1.50

10-24 1.50

\$3.00

Indiana

6-10 \$2.50

12-28 1.00

3.50

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Louisiana

12-16 .250
 2.50

Minnesota

8-19 \$.50

 .50

New Jersey

11-18 \$1.00
12-16 .250
 3.50

New York

8-19 \$9.50
10-19 5.00
12-24 7.00
 21.50

North Carolina

10-29 \$1.00
 1.00

Total \$35.00

The following summary of income received

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from initiation fees during the period 1/1/53, to
5/31/53, was prepared from data set out in the
supporting records:

California

5-1 \$2.50
 \$2.50

Eastern Pennsylvania

5-29 .77.00
 7.00

Illinois

4-25 .71.00
5-8 .72.00
 3.00

Indiana

3-7 .73.50
 3.50

Minnesota

4-3 .71.00
 1.00

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3-6 .72.00
 2.00

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New England

5-29 6.50

\$6.50

New York

4-3 \$1.00

5-23 8.00

9.00

Ohio

3-16 \$1.00

5-8 2.00

3.00

Oregon

3-6 \$2.50

5-1 2.00

4.50

Washington

5-1 9.00

9.00

Total \$51.00

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Recap

| | |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Initiations (1/1-5/31/53) | \$51.00 |
| Initiations (6/1-12/31/53) | <u>35.50</u> |
| Total | \$86.50 |

3. Assessments

Total assessments for the period 6/1/53, to 12/31/53, as reflected in the cash book were \$3,466.50 derived as follows:

Connecticut

| | |
|-------|--------|
| 12-16 | \$5.50 |
| | 5.50 |

Florida

| | |
|------|--------|
| 11-8 | \$4.85 |
| | 4.85 |

Illinois

| | |
|-------|--------------|
| 10-24 | \$25.50 |
| 11-6 | <u>34.00</u> |
| | 59.50 |

Minnesota

| | |
|-------|--------------|
| 8-19 | \$22.20 |
| 8-19 | 12.70 |
| 10-24 | <u>62.40</u> |
| | 97.30 |

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Miscellaneous

| | |
|------|-------------|
| 9-28 | \$11.00 |
| 10-5 | 13.00 |
| 11-6 | <u>3.75</u> |
| | 27.75 |

New Jersey

| | |
|-------|-----------------|
| 12-16 | <u>\$237.20</u> |
| | 237.20 |

New York

| | |
|-------|-----------------|
| 10-19 | \$438.40 |
| 12-21 | 1,219.45 |
| 12-24 | <u>1,334.00</u> |
| | 2,991.85 |

North Carolina - Tennessee

| | |
|------|----------------|
| 11-8 | <u>\$11.50</u> |
| | 11.50 |

Virginia

| | |
|------|----------------|
| 11-8 | <u>\$10.00</u> |
| | 10.00 |

Western Pennsylvania

| | |
|-------|----------------|
| 10-19 | <u>\$13.30</u> |
| | 13.30 |

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Wisconsin

9-21 \$7.75

7.75

Total \$3,466.50

As explained above, \$3,383.69 was transferred to assessments from dues, thereby increasing the total assessments received to \$6,850.19.

4. Contributions

Total contributions for the period 6/1/53 to 12/31/53 according to the cash book were \$4,766.00 obtained as follows:

| | |
|------|----------|
| 6-6 | \$ 40.00 |
| 7-9 | 2,000.00 |
| 7-9 | 100.00 |
| 7-24 | 200.00 |
| 7-24 | 25.00 |
| 9-4 | 100.00 |
| 9-4 | 151.00 |
| 9-15 | 10.00 |
| 10-1 | 40.00 |
| 10-5 | 90.00 |
| 11-1 | 40.00 |

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| | | |
|-------|---------------|------------------|
| 12-11 | \$100.00 | |
| 12-14 | 1,000.00 | Molly - New York |
| 12-30 | <u>870.00</u> | Defenso |
| | | \$4,766.00 |

An interim financial report covering the period 1/1/53 to 5/31/53 indicated \$1,007.00 in contributions was received during that period but no further breakdown of this amount was provided.

Recap

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Contributions (1/1 - 5/31/53) | \$1,007.00 |
| Contributions (6/1 - 12/31/53) | <u>\$4,766.00</u> |
| Total | \$5,773.00 |

5. General

According to the above mentioned financial report covering the period 1/1/53 to 5/31/53, the following general income items were received during that period:

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| NY Southern Solidarity | \$5,000.00 |
| NY Industrial Concentration | 5,000.00 |
| Contributions | 2,080.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 299.41 |
| Return on cars | <u>822.00</u> |
| Total | \$13,131.41 |

According to the cash book, the following general income items were received during the period 6/1/53 to 12/31/53:

| | | |
|------|----------|----------|
| 6/10 | \$753.00 | Car sale |
|------|----------|----------|

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|-------|---------------|---------------|
| 7-9 | \$100.00 | "Ros. return" |
| 9-15 | 178.00 | Car sale |
| 12-14 | 100.00 | "Ros. return" |
| 12-14 | <u>400.00</u> | Car sale |
| Total | | \$1531.00 |

Recap

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| General Income (1/1 - 5/31/53) | \$13,131.41 |
| General Income (6/1 - 12/31/53) | <u>1,531.00</u> |
| Total | \$14,662.41 |

6. Return on Loans

This source of income was composed of the following items:

DAV

| | |
|------|--------------|
| 1-6 | \$10.00 |
| 5-24 | <u>20.00</u> |
| | \$30.00 |

FRAN

| | |
|------|----------------|
| 5-28 | <u>\$50.00</u> |
| | 50.00 |

OTTO

| | |
|------|---------|
| 4-18 | \$20.00 |
| 5-10 | 20.00 |

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|-------|--------------|
| 6-6 | \$20.00 |
| 7-2 | <u>8.00</u> |
| | <u>68.00</u> |
| Total | \$148.00 |

7. Refunds

This source of income was composed of the following items (no details shown in cash book regarding nature of refunds):

| | |
|-------|---------------|
| 7-2 | \$125.32 |
| 9-15 | 40.36 |
| 10-1 | 100.00 |
| 12-14 | 50.00 |
| 12-28 | <u>325.00</u> |
| | \$640.68 |

EXPENDITURES

1. Wages

According to the cash book, the following wage payments were made during the period 6/1/53 to 12/31/53:

| | | |
|-----|----------|--------------------------------|
| 6-1 | \$ 80.00 | Fr (weeks ending 7/17-24/53) |
| 6-3 | 160.00 | Bi (weeks ending 6/19-7/10/53) |
| 6-8 | 360.00 | Stc 7/31/53 |
| 6-8 | 360.00 | Min 7/31/53 |

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|------|----------|---|
| 6-8 | \$280.00 | Ch (weeks ending 6/19-7/31/53) |
| 6-8 | 960.00 | 6 at \$40 per week for weeks ending 6/19-7/10/53 |
| 6-20 | 320.00 | Auto (weeks ending 5/15-7/10/53) |
| 6-29 | 120.00 | Ma (weeks ending 6/29-7/10/53) |
| 7-2 | 1,640.00 | 10 at \$40 per week for weeks ending 7/17-8/7/53 1 at \$40.00 (week not indicated) |
| 7-9 | 440.00 | Ch (8/7-11/1/53) |
| 7-27 | 160.00 | A (weeks ending 8/14-9/4/53) |
| 8-7 | 1,600.00 | 10 at \$40 per week for weeks ending 8/14-9/4/53. |
| 8-17 | 120.00 | Wages for unidentified individual for weeks ending 7/3-7/17/53 |
| 9-1 | 1,760.00 | 11 at \$40 per week for weeks ending 9/11-10/2/53 |
| 9-15 | 70.00 | Wages of unidentified person (s) |
| 9-28 | 1,760.00 | 11 at \$40 per week for period not indicated. |
| 10-3 | 160.00 | Wages of unidentified person |
| 10-3 | 70.00 | Wages of two unidentified persons at \$35.00 each |

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|-------|-------------|--|
| 10-20 | 250.00 | Wages (recipients not indicated) |
| 10-7 | 320.00 | Wages of 8 persons at \$40 per week for unspecified period. |
| 10-24 | 105.00 | Wages (recipients not shown) |
| 10-26 | 80.00 | Wages (recipient(s) not indicated) |
| 10-26 | 1,760.00 | 11 at \$40 per week for unspecified period |
| 11-12 | 1,760.00 | 11 at \$40 per week for unspecified period |
| 11-13 | 25.00 | Wages (recipient not shown) |
| 12-7 | 200.00 | Jo (12-4 - 12/25/53) |
| 12-14 | 320.00 | Sa (to 2/28/54) |
| 12-20 | 100.00 | Wages (recipient not shown) |
| 12-20 | 1,170.00 | Wages (Al) |
| 12-22 | 900.00 | 10 at \$40 per week for unspecified period 1 at \$100 for unspecified period. |
| Total | \$17,410.00 | |

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A financial report for the first five months in 1953 disclosed \$9,430.00 was disbursed for wages. Thus the total wage payments for 1953 amounted to \$26,840.00.

2. Regions

According to the cash book, expenditures in this classification consisted of the following items:

| | | |
|-------|-----------------|---------|
| 6-4 | \$ 150.00 | West |
| 9-10 | 2,451.18 | East |
| 10-12 | 3,000.00 | South |
| 11-8 | 1,000.00 | South |
| 12-13 | 1,000.00 | Midwest |
| 12-14 | 75.00 | Midwest |
| 12-16 | <u>1,047.47</u> | South |
| Total | \$8,723.65 | |

The financial report covering the period 1/1/53 to 5/31/53 disclosed the following additional expenditures in this category:

| | |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Subsidy (Rocky Mountain) | \$1,649.40 |
| Regional Grants (East) | 7,248.92 |
| Regional Grants (West) | 4,444.38 |
| South | <u>12,000.00</u> |
| | \$ 25,342.70 |

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Thus total payments to the regions in 1953 amounted to \$34,066.35.

3. Industrial Concentration

Expenditures in this classification for the first five months in 1953 consisted of the following items according to a financial report prepared for that period:

Car travel \$303.01

Travel 233.80

Rent 82.50

Literature 9.00

Food 5.00

\$633.31

Auto-Stipend \$680.00

Travel 179.00

Car Travel 58.90

Bulletin 150.00

OEX 158.00

1,225.90

Steel-Stipend \$840.00

Travel 36.00

OEX 32.00

908.00

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Mining \$640.00

640.00

Packing 650.00

650.00

Total \$4057.21

Expenditures in this classification for the last seven months in 1953 consisted of the following items according to the cash book:

| | | |
|-------|----------|-------------|
| 6-16 | \$ 50.00 | Packing |
| 8-19 | 500.00 | |
| 8-26 | 50.00 | Packing |
| 8-26 | 117.00 | |
| 10-18 | 29.75 | Car repair |
| 10-18 | 12.50 | Garage |
| 10-18 | 69.58 | Gas and oil |
| 10-18 | 17.00 | Meeting |
| 10-29 | 160.00 | |
| 11-4 | 40.00 | |
| 11-6 | 10.00 | |
| 11-13 | 200.00 | Steel |

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|-------|--------------|------------|
| 12-3 | \$720.00 | Wages |
| 12-4 | 9.50 | |
| 12-13 | 1,000.00 | |
| 12-29 | <u>15.00</u> | |
| Total | | \$3,000.33 |

Total expenditures in this category for
1953 amounted to \$7,057.54.

4. Negro Commission

For the period 1/1/53 to 5/31/53, expenditures
in this category consisted of the following:

| | |
|---------------|---------------|
| Travel | \$460.56 |
| Car Expenses | 25.00 |
| Org. Expenses | 55.72 |
| Bulletins | 1,153.75 |
| Meetings | 121.99 |
| Food | 14.00 |
| Miscellaneous | <u>251.85</u> |

\$2,082.87

For the period 6/1/53 to 12/31/53 expenditures
in this grouping were as follows:

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| | | |
|-------|---------------|---------------|
| 6-21 | \$153.03 | |
| 6-21 | 175.00 | |
| 6-21 | 275.00 | |
| 6-21 | 5.00 | Auto Expenses |
| 6-21 | 24.85 | Miscellaneous |
| 9-4 | 19.01 | Travel out |
| 9-4 | 25.00 | Literature |
| 9-4 | 580.00 | Travel in |
| 9-4 | 250.00 | Travel out |
| 9-4 | 44.25 | Car repairs |
| 10-3 | 50.00 | |
| 11-8 | 37.00 | |
| 11-8 | 18.00 | |
| 12-16 | 179.31 | |
| 12-16 | <u>305.00</u> | |
| Total | \$484.31 | |

Total Negro commission expenditures for 1953 amounted to \$4,223.32.

5. Education

According to the financial report covering the period 1/1/53 to 5/31/53, expenditures for this purpose amounted to \$956.25. No further details were provided.

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6. Travel

Expenditures in this category for 1953 consisted of the following:

Travel in \$2,566.56

Travel out 9,300.96

Total \$11,867.52

7. Car Expenses

Car expenses for 1953 consisted of the following:

Car purchases \$2,406.90

Gas and oil 2,160.17

Repairs and Upkeep 2,423.48

Rentals 1,409.48

Tolls, garages, etc 482.14

Total \$8,882.17

8. Acme

Expenses in this classification amounted to \$426.40 for 1953. The cash book and supporting records provided no further details regarding the exact nature of these expenditures.

9. Moving and Relocation

Expenditures in this category amounted to \$1,307.91 for 1953.

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10. National Administrative Committee (NAC)

1953 payments to the NAC were made as follows:

| | |
|-------|-----------------|
| 9-14 | \$1,450.00 |
| 12-16 | 1,000.00 |
| 12-24 | 870.00 |
| 12-30 | <u>1,000.00</u> |
| Total | \$4,320.00 |

No details were provided regarding the purpose of above payments.

11. Organization and Administration

Expenditures in this classification for 1953 consisted of the following:

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Hotels | \$1,532.42 |
| Local Fares | 334.08 |
| Rent | 1,373.05 |
| Administrative Expenses | 3,078.93 |
| Miscellaneous | 2,010.17 |
| Supplies | 568.50 |
| Literature | 781.49 |

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Special 450.00
Food 390.21
Total \$ 10,518.85

12. Welfare

According to the financial report covering the period 1/1/53 to 5/31/53, welfare payments during that period were disbursed as follows:

| | |
|---------------|-----------------|
| AL | \$588.50 |
| ART | 373.50 |
| BILL | 65.00 |
| DOR | 260.00 |
| FRANCIS | 100.00 |
| GEO RGE | 959.61 |
| JIM | 360.00 |
| JOHN | 500.00 |
| KRCH | 125.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 36.00 |
| OTTO | 100.00 |
| RUTH | 39.00 |
| VINCE | <u>1,137.50</u> |

\$4,644.11

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According to the cash book, the following welfare payments were made during the last seven months of 1953:

| | | |
|------|----------|-----------------------|
| 6-1 | \$100.00 | Welfare FR. |
| 6-4 | 65.00 | Welfare ART |
| 6-15 | 5.45 | Welfare SAM |
| 6-16 | 5.00 | Welfare Medical |
| 6-16 | 20.00 | Welfare DOR |
| 6-21 | 100.00 | Welfare Vacation |
| 6-28 | 10.00 | Welfare Modical |
| 7-2 | 250.00 | Welfare Vacation |
| 7-2 | 65.00 | Welfare |
| 7-27 | 100.00 | Welfare Vacation |
| 7-27 | 300.00 | Welfare AL 7/27-10/12 |
| 8-3 | 200.00 | Welfare Vacation |
| 8-7 | 65.00 | Welfare |
| 8-17 | 350.00 | Welfare Medical VN |
| 8-19 | 200.00 | Welfare Medical JO |
| 8-19 | 90.00 | Welfare Medical FR |
| 8-20 | 20.00 | Welfare Medical |

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| | | |
|-------|----------|--------------------------|
| 8-20 | \$500.00 | Special |
| 8-26 | 120.00 | Welfare DO |
| 8-26 | 100.00 | Welfare JO |
| 9-1 | 30.00 | Welfare |
| 9-4 | 65.00 | Welfare |
| 9-14 | 40.00 | Welfare Medical |
| 10-1 | 20.00 | Welfare Vacation |
| 10-3 | 30.00 | Welfare |
| 10-13 | 300.00 | Welfare A 10/19 - 1/4/54 |
| 10-13 | 30.00 | Welfare Medical |
| 10-20 | 150.00 | Welfare |
| 10-26 | 35.00 | Welfare |
| 10-29 | 100.00 | Welfare DO |
| 10-29 | 60.00 | Welfare |
| 11-6 | 65.00 | Welfare |
| 11-6 | 10.00 | Welfare Medical |
| 11-6 | 20.00 | Welfare DO |
| 11-13 | 65.00 | Welfare |
| 11-24 | 200.00 | Welfare VN |
| 11-25 | 510.00 | Welfare |
| 11-25 | 1,650.00 | Welfare |

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| | | |
|-------|---------------|-------------------|
| 12-4 | \$ 426.75 | Welfare Medical |
| 12-4 | 400.00 | Welfare VN family |
| 12-14 | 65.00 | Welfare |
| 12-14 | 165.00 | Welfare |
| 12-20 | 500.00 | Welfare Medical |
| 12-20 | <u>275.00</u> | Welfare Medical |
| Total | | \$7,877.20 |

Total welfare payments for 1953 amounted to \$12,521.31.

13. Loans Receivable

The following loans were made during 1953:

BILL

| | |
|-----|-------------------|
| 6-3 | <u>\$1,000.00</u> |
| | \$1,000.00 |

FRAN

| | |
|-------|--------------|
| 4-29 | \$50.00 |
| 9-14 | 150.00 |
| 10-18 | <u>50.00</u> |
| | 250.00 |

JOHN

| | |
|------|-------------------|
| 6-21 | <u>\$2,000.00</u> |
| | 2,000.00 |

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OTTO

| | |
|-------|---------------|
| 4-14 | \$45.00 |
| 5-10 | 23.00 |
| 12-24 | <u>100.00</u> |
| | 168.00 |

Washington

| | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 5-1 | <u>\$300.00</u> |
| | 300.00 |

West

| | |
|------|-------------------|
| 5-29 | <u>\$1,000.00</u> |
| | 1,000.00 |

Youth

| | |
|------|-------------------|
| 2-21 | <u>50.00</u> |
| | <u>50.00</u> |
| | <u>\$4,768.00</u> |

On 4/20/55, NK 2016-S* furnished cash books and other records reflecting CP income and expenditures for the period 1/1-3/31/55. The following is a summary of the information set out in these records:

INCOME

Dues

| | | |
|------|----------|------|
| 1-20 | \$175.60 | Bal. |
|------|----------|------|

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| | | |
|------|---------------|--------|
| 1-29 | 10.50 | Misc. |
| 1-29 | <u>138.51</u> | SRC |
| | | 324.61 |

Initiations

| | | |
|------|------------|-----|
| 1-20 | <u>.50</u> | .50 |
|------|------------|-----|

Assessments

| | | |
|------|-------------|-------|
| 1-20 | \$62.75 | Bal. |
| 1-29 | <u>1.75</u> | Misc. |
| | | 64.50 |

Contributions

| | | |
|------|-----------------|-----------|
| 1-16 | \$1,000.00 | |
| 1-20 | 5,000.00 | |
| 2-9 | 2,000.00 | |
| 2-10 | 75.00 | |
| 2-27 | 1,600.00 | |
| 2-27 | 4,200.00 | |
| 3-14 | 3,500.00 | |
| 3-14 | <u>1,000.00</u> | |
| * | | 18,375.00 |

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Miscellaneous

| | | |
|-----|-----------------|----------|
| 2-9 | <u>\$230.50</u> | Car sale |
| | | 230.50 |

Loans Repaid

| | | |
|------|-------|-----------|
| 1-20 | 20.00 | 0 |
| 1-29 | 20.00 | 0 (12/16) |
| 2-9 | 50.00 | |
| 2-16 | 20.00 | 0 |
| 3-12 | 20.00 | 0 |
| 3-31 | 50.00 | |
| 3-31 | 20.00 | D |
| | | 200.00 |

Refunds

| | | |
|------|--------------|---------------|
| 1-29 | 10.00 | Literature |
| 2-16 | 60.00 | |
| 3-1 | 10.00 | |
| 3-27 | 14.00 | |
| 3-31 | <u>36.51</u> | |
| | | <u>130.51</u> |

Total Income (1/1-3/31/55) \$19,325.62

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EXPENDITURES

Wages

| | | |
|------|------------|---|
| 1-16 | \$1,140.00 | 6 at \$40 per week, 1 at \$45 per week for weeks ending 1/28-2/18/55 |
| 2-11 | 40.00 | J0 (week ending 2/18/55) |
| 2-11 | 1,300.00 | 7 at \$40 per week, 1 at \$45 per week for weeks ending 2/25 - 3/18/55. |
| 3-13 | 40.00 | JER |
| 3-31 | 1,140.00 | 6 at \$40 per week, 1 at \$45 per week for weeks ending 4/22-5/13/55 |
| 3-12 | 1,300.00 | 7 at \$40 per week, 1 at \$45 per week for weeks ending 4/22 - 5/13/55. |

Total Regions \$4,960.00

| | | |
|------|---------------|---------------|
| 1-8 | \$2,000.00 | SRC |
| 1-29 | 138.51 | South (1954) |
| 2-9 | 1,000.00 | SRC |
| 3-5 | 3,000.00 | SRC |
| 3-12 | <u>500.00</u> | SRC (special) |

6,638.51

Moving and Relocation

1-18 \$ 5.00

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| | | |
|------|--------|------|
| 1-29 | 250.00 | |
| 2-2 | 2.00 | |
| 2-9 | 20.00 | |
| 2-11 | 56.00 | |
| 2-24 | 75.00 | |
| 2-25 | 15.39 | |
| 2-28 | 35.00 | |
| 3-5 | 105.00 | |
| 3-31 | 90.00 | (Bi) |
| 3-31 | 7.00 | |
| 3-31 | 5.80 | |
| 3-31 | 423.00 | |
| 3-31 | 35.00 | |

1,124.19

National Administrative Committee

| | |
|------|-------------------|
| 1-16 | <u>\$5,000.00</u> |
| | 5,000.00 |

Special

| | | |
|------|------------|-----------|
| 2-27 | \$4,000.00 | Special 2 |
| 3-5 | 250.00 | Equipment |

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3-14 1,000.00 Spcial 2
 5,250.00

Local Faros

| | | |
|------|--------|---------|
| 1-9 | 6 4.45 | |
| 1-18 | 5.40 | |
| 1-20 | 13.07 | |
| 1-24 | 21.50 | |
| 1-29 | 4.75 | |
| 2-2 | 9.80 | |
| 2-9 | 11.40 | |
| 2-11 | 4.25 | |
| 2-24 | 10.00 | |
| 2-25 | 10.00 | |
| 3-1 | 1.00 | |
| 3-7 | 20.00 | |
| 3-14 | 1.80 | |
| 3-14 | 2.00 | (tolls) |
| 3-27 | 1.70 | |
| 3-31 | 15.75 | |

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3-31 \$15.50

3-31 1.25

153.62

Literature

1-18 \$32.25

1-24 5.50

2-25 5.50

3-2 30.00

3-7 7.80

3-31 25.00

3-31 6.30

112.35

Food

1-29 \$50.00

2-9 40.00

2-11 50.00

2-16 12.00

2-24 30.00

2-28 1.00

3-31 50.00

(OB)

3-31 1.00

234.00

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Supplies

| | |
|------|-------------|
| 1-18 | \$.65 |
| 1-24 | 1.25 |
| 2-24 | .55 |
| 3-7 | 14.11 |
| 3-27 | 56.00 |
| 3-31 | 2.85 |
| 3-31 | .75 |
| 3-31 | .85 |
| 3-31 | <u>1.25</u> |

78.26

Hotel

| | |
|------|-------------|
| 1-20 | \$3.25 |
| 2-9 | 8.27 |
| 2-11 | 5.25 |
| 3-31 | 4.75 |
| 3-31 | <u>6.00</u> |

27.52

Administrative Expenses

| | |
|------|---------|
| 1-18 | \$10.00 |
|------|---------|

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1-24 30.00

2-6 55.00

2-11 10.00

2-16 63.00

Fra

2-16 50.00

2-27 100.00

2-28 15.00

3-7 15.00

3-31 23.70

371.70

Miscellaneous

1-24 \$12.50

1-29 335.00 Industrial Concentration (Mining)

1-29 2.00

2-28 4.00

3-7 33.19

3-31 4.50

391.19

Car - Gas and Oil

3-31 \$14.95

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3-31 5.05

20.00

Repairs

2-11 \$35.00

35.00

Garage and Tolls

1-9 \$ 1.00

2-6 30.00 Car License

3-7 20.00

3-7 200.00 Insurance

3-31 6.00 Parking

3-31 10.75

267.75

Rentals

1-9 \$68.12

2-6 50.00

2-16 55.00

2-24 20.00

3-14 55.67

248.79

Travel In

1-29 \$150.00

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2-16 225.00

375.00

Travel Out

1-9 \$52.15

1-9 4.50

1-18 4.16

1-24 5.25

1-29 2.30

2-11 2.05

3-7 99.85

3-31 181.28

3-31 5.72

3-31 3.65

3-31 150.79

3-31 9.50 (Hotel)

3-31 3.20 (Cabs)

3-31 7.00 (Hotel)

3-31 2.40

533.80

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Rent

| | |
|------|--------------|
| 1-18 | \$26.00 |
| 1-24 | 10.00 |
| 1-29 | 26.00 |
| 2-11 | 10.00 |
| 2-16 | 35.00 |
| 2-24 | 5.00 |
| 2-25 | 34.50 |
| 3-5 | 55.00 |
| 3-7 | 50.00 |
| 3-12 | 55.00 |
| 3-27 | 12.00 |
| 3-31 | 5.00 |
| 3-31 | 30.00 |
| 3-31 | <u>50.00</u> |

403.50

Acme

| | |
|------|-------------|
| 1-18 | \$ 4.50 |
| 1-29 | 8.00 |
| 2-11 | 17.80 |
| 2-28 | 20.00 |
| 3-1 | <u>7.00</u> |

57.30

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Loans

| | | |
|-----|----------------|------------|
| 3-7 | <u>\$40.00</u> | California |
| | | 40.00 |

Welfare

| | | |
|------|-------------|-----------------|
| 2-6 | \$325.00 | 13 at \$25 each |
| 2-11 | 10.00 | D Medical |
| 2-27 | 100.00 | Medical |
| 3-7 | 3.50 | Medical |
| 3-31 | <u>5.00</u> | Medical |
| | | 443.50 |

Advances

| | | |
|------|---------------|----------------|
| 1-29 | \$100.00 | D |
| 2-9 | 580.00 | D |
| 2-24 | 100.00 | D |
| 3-14 | 200.00 | D for V and J. |
| 3-13 | 100.00 | T |
| 3-14 | 200.00 | D |
| 3-31 | <u>200.00</u> | Ju |

1,480.00

Total expenditures (1/1-3/31/55) \$29,369.58

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Concerning the 1952 financial report which was set forth in referenced letter, NK 2016-S* did not furnish detailed records supporting same.

Based on information developed in the investigation of CP underground operations by the NYO, the individuals mentioned above in this letter are tentatively identified as follows:

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| AL, T | IRVING HERMAN |
| ART | ARTHUR HAENDLE |
| Bi, Bill | GUSTAVE SIMON |
| CH | unknown |
| DO, DOR | unknown |
| FR, FRA, FRAN FRANCIS | CELESTE KAPLAN |
| GEORGE | HAROLD KLEIN |
| JE, JER | unknown |
| JIM | PHIL BART |
| JO, JOHN | EDWARD STRONG |
| KRCH | ANTHONY KRCHMAREK |
| JU, MA | ESTHER EISENSCHER |
| MOLLY | MOLLIE WEST |
| OTTO, O, D | JACK KLING |
| RUTH | MARTHA STONE |
| SA, SAM | DAVID ROSENBERG |
| VN, VINCE | MAX WEISS |

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (100-3-63)

DATE: 6/21/55

FROM: SAC, New York (100-74560)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - FUNDS

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CP, USA, UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS
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2-Bureau (100-3-94) (RM)
1-Chicago (100-3952) (GIL GREEN) (RM)
1-Chicago (100-12259) (ARTHUR HAENDLE) (RM)
2-Cincinnati (RM)
2-Cleveland (RM)
1-Newark (100- (CP FUNDS) (RM)
1-Newark (100- (CP UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS) (RM)
1-NY 100-82430 (IRVING HERMAN) 7-1
1-NY 100-12959 (CONSTANCE BART) 7-1
1-NY 100-120373 (MARION DODD) 7-1
1-NY 100-87561 (ESTHER EISENSCHER) 7-1
1-NY 100-37428 (CELESTE KAPLAN) 7-1
1-NY 100-19249 (JACK KLING) 7-1
1-NY 100-28609 (GUSTAVE SIMON) 7-1
1-NY 100-20649 (EDWARD STRONG) 7-1
1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) 7-5
1-NY 100-8879 (ALBERT LANNON) 7-5
1-NY 100-9573 (NED SPARKS) 7-1
1-NY 100-20669 (JAMES WEST) 7-1
1-NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE) 7-5
1-NY 100-18672 (MAX WEISS) 7-1
1-NY 100-96985 (CP UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS)
1-NY 100- (BOB, received special wages from CP per
NK 2016-S*) 7-6
1-NY 100- (BE, received funds from CP in 1954 per
NK 2016-S*) 7-6
1-NY 100- (BILLY G. (OHIO) per NK 2016-S*, received
welfare payment from the CP in 1954) 7-6
1-NY 100- (DO has received welfare payments from
CP in 1954 per NK 2016-S*) 7-6
1-NY 100- (JER per NK 2016-S*, received wage payments
from CP in 1954) 7-6
1-NY 100- (MUR received wage payments from CP in 1954,
per NK 2016-S*) 7-6
1-NY 100- (STEVE (NY) received a welfare payment from
CP in 1954 per NK 2016-S*) 7-6
1-NY 100- (WAR received wage payments from CP in 1954
per NK 2016-S*) 7-6

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Re NY letter to Bureau, 5/17/55.

The following is a detailed analysis of the expenditures portion of the 1954 CP financial report which was set forth in referenced letter. The figures shown in this analysis were obtained from the cash disbursements book and supporting records furnished by NK 2016-S* on 4/20/55.

1. WAGES

| | | |
|------|-----------------|--|
| 1-6 | \$900.00 | 10 employees at \$40.00 per week 1 employee at \$50.00 per week for weeks ending 1-15 and 1-22 |
| 1-10 | \$600.00 | HARRY 10/16/52-1/22/53 |
| 1-18 | 50.00 | FRN (supplemental wages, 5 at \$10.00 each to 3-1) |
| 1-18 | 400.00 | FR (weeks ending 1-29 to 4-2) |
| 1-21 | <u>1,800.00</u> | 10 employees at \$40.00 per week, 1 employee at \$50.00 per week for weeks ending 1-29, 2-5, 2-12 and 2-19 |

Total January wages \$3,750.00

| | | |
|------|------------|---|
| 2-15 | \$1,480.00 | 8 employees at \$40 per week 1 employee at \$50 per week for weeks ending 2-26, 3-5, 3-12 and 3-19 |
| 2-19 | 160.00 | AL (weeks ending 3-26 to 4-16) |
| 2-19 | 250.00 | Spec. AL acc't |

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| | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---|
| 2-28 | <u>100.00</u> | Spec. wages (BOB) |
| Total February wages \$1,990.00 | | |
| 3-11 | \$240.00 | FR (weeks ending 4-9 to 5-14) |
| 3-11 | 200.00 | JER (weeks ending 3-26 to 4/16) |
| 3-11 | 160.00 | AL (weeks ending 4-23 to 5-14) |
| 3-11 | 1,120.00 | 7 employees at \$40 per week for weeks ending 3-26 to 4-16 (VN - O - MUR - JA - BI - JO- Vi) |
| 3-11 | 320.00 | WAR(weeks ending 2-26 to 4-16) |
| 3-15 | 120.00 | Spec. FRN (weeks ending 3-12, 3-19, 3-26) |
| 3-30 | <u>120.00</u> | JI (weeks ending 4-2 to 4-16) |
| Total March Wages \$2,280.00 | | |
| 4-9 | \$1,320.00 | 7 employees at \$40 per week 1 employee at \$50 per week for weeks ending 4-23 to 5-14) |
| 4-11 | <u>65.00</u> | Supplemental wages |
| Total April wages \$1,385.00 | | |
| 5-11 | \$1,660.00 | 8 employees at \$40 per week 1 employee at \$45 per week 1 employee at \$50 per week for weeks ending 5-21 to 6-11 |

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5-26 780.00 Al L (1-1 to 6-30-54)

Total May Wages \$2,440.00

6-3 \$200.00 Jer (weeks ending 6-18 to 7-9)

6-3 180.00 Fr (weeks ending 6-18 to 7-9)

6-3 1,280.00 8 employees at \$40 per week
for weeks ending 6-18 to 7-9

6-22 120.00 Be (weeks ending 7-16 to 7-30)

6-22 160.00 Jo (weeks ending 7-16 to 8-6)

Total June Wages \$1,940.00

7-2 \$980.00 1 employee at \$45 per week
5 employees at \$40 per week
for weeks ending 7-16 to 8-6
(Vn - O - Ma - Al - Fr - Vi)

7-10 160.00 O (weeks ending 8-13 to 9-3)

7-27 160.00 Vn (weeks ending 8-13 to 9-3)

Total July wages \$1,300.00

8-4 \$820.00 4 employees at \$40 per week
1 employee at \$45 per week
for weeks ending 8-13 to 9-3

8-9 87.85 Special

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| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| 8-18 | <u>\$1,140.00</u> | 6 employees at \$40 per week 1 employee at \$45 per week for weeks ending 9-10 to 10-1 |
| Total August wages \$2,047.85 | | |
| 9-27 | \$1,140.00 | 6 employees at \$40 per week 1 employee at \$45 per week for weeks ending 10-8 to 10-29 |
| Total September wages \$1,140.00 | | |
| 10-23 | \$1,140.00 | 6 employees at \$40 per week 1 employee at \$45 per week for weeks ending 11-5 to 11/26 |
| Total October Wages \$1,140.00 | | |
| 11-15 | \$1,140.00 | 6 employees at \$40 per week 1 employee at \$45 per week for weeks ending 12-3 to 12-24 |
| Total November Wages \$1,140.00 | | |
| 12-8 | \$160.00 | T (1-1-55 to 1-29-55) |
| 12-8 | 980.00 | 5 employees at \$40 per week 1 employee at \$45 per week for weeks ending 12-31-54 to 1-21-55 |
| Total December Wages \$1,140.00 | | |
| Total 1954 wages \$21,692.85 | | |

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2. REGIONS

A. South

| | | |
|-------|-------------|-------------------------|
| 1-20 | \$1,500.00 | |
| 1-27 | 2,000.00 | |
| 2-18 | 500.00 | |
| 4-9 | 1,500.00 | |
| 4-17 | 1,000.00 | |
| 5-25 | 2,500.00 | |
| 5-26 | 105.00 | (Student) |
| 6-15 | 1,500.00 | (Car) |
| 6-15 | 3,250.00 | ("X chg - Fla - FD") |
| 6-15 | 423.00 | ("X chg - Tex - FD") |
| 7-19 | 1,000.00 | |
| 8-18 | 1,000.00 | |
| 10-1 | 146.72 | |
| 10-21 | 200.00 | (contribution to South) |
| 11-10 | 1,000.00 | {SRC} |
| 12-16 | 1,000.00 | {SRC} |
| <hr/> | | |
| Total | \$18,624.72 | |

B. Midwest

| | | |
|-------|------------|----------------------|
| 1-3 | \$1,000.00 | |
| 2-6 | 500.00 | {Subsidy - Mich.} |
| 3-1 | 650.00 | {Subsidy - Mich.} |
| 4-14 | 300.00 | |
| 6-8 | 300.00 | |
| 6-17 | 59.01 | (Gas and oil - Iowa) |
| <hr/> | | |
| Total | \$2,809.01 | |

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C. Rocky Mountain

3-11 \$500.00 (Subsidy)

Total 500.00

Grand Total-Regions \$21,933.73

3. RELOCATION AND UPKEEP

| | | |
|------|----------|---------------------------------|
| 1-3 | \$ 30.00 | Food |
| 1-8 | 3.05 | H. H. Sup. |
| 1-9 | 7.00 | Equipment (Meeting) |
| 1-18 | 61.72 | Equipment |
| 1-18 | 5.00 | Employment fee |
| 1-30 | 250 .00 | Moving (Mur) |
| 2-8 | 3.00 | Moving |
| 3-3 | 100.00 | Moving |
| 4-1 | 26.54 | Blankets |
| 4-26 | 300.00 | |
| 5-10 | 50.00 | Moving |
| 5-15 | 37.22 | Moving |
| 5-30 | 5.00 | Equipment |
| 6-19 | 22.00 | "Tr. In." |
| 6-28 | 500.00 | South (Jo) |
| 7-8 | 100.00 | Moving N. H. #1 |
| 7-10 | 100.00 | Moving Ph #1 |
| 7-10 | 19.66 | Moving (Fr.) |
| 7-17 | 100.00 | Moving and relocation Ph #1 |
| 7-22 | 110.00 | Moving and relocation N.H. #1 |
| 7-23 | 7.00 | Moving |
| 7-27 | 100.00 | Moving and relocation Ph #1 |
| 7-29 | 50.00 | Moving and relocation N. H.#2 |
| 7-30 | 10.00 | Moving and relocation Phila. #1 |
| 8-2 | 10.00 | Moving |
| 8-2 | 30.00 | Equipment (Fr.) |
| 8-3 | 100.00 | Moving and relocation N.H.#1 |
| 8-11 | 100.00 | Moving and relocation N.H.#2 |

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|-------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| 8-12 | \$ 15.00 | Rent |
| 8-16 | 80.00 | Moving and relocation Ph #1 |
| 8-17 | 2.50 | Food |
| 8-17 | 200.00 | Moving and relocation N.H.#2 |
| 9-8 | 450.00 | Moving and relocation Ph #1 |
| 9-10 | 100.00 | Moving and relocation N.H.#2 |
| 9-18 | 17.00 | Moving and relocation Ph #2 |
| 9-22 | 30.00 | Rent |
| 9-28 | 25.00 | Moving and relocation N.H.#1 |
| 10-1 | 133.00 | Moving and relocation |
| 10-1 | 125.00 | Living expenses |
| 10-13 | 100.00 | Moving and relocation N.H.#1 |
| 10-13 | 105.18 | |
| 10-21 | 122.72 | |
| 10-23 | 70.00 | |
| 10-27 | 132.00 | |
| 11-10 | 200.00 | |
| 12-8 | 150.00 | |
| 12-24 | 75.00 | |
| 12-31 | 116.50 | |
| <u>9-14</u> | <u>150.00</u> | Moving and relocation N.H.#1 |
| Total | \$4,636.09 | |

4. NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

| | |
|------|------------|
| 1-7 | \$1,500.00 |
| 1-15 | 870.00 |
| 1-22 | 2,000.00 |
| 2-9 | 2,000.00 |
| 2-19 | 1,000.00 |
| 3-7 | 5,000.00 |
| 3-31 | 2,500.00 |
| 4-8 | 190.38 |
| 4-8 | 3,000.00 |
| 4-30 | 2,500.00 |
| 4-30 | 600.00 |

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|-------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 5-19 | 3,000.00 | |
| 5-31 | 2,500.00 | |
| 6-15 | 2,500.00 | |
| 6-22 | 2,500.00 | |
| 7-10 | 173.00 | (Travel to Seattle) |
| 7-13 | 5,000.00 | |
| 7-21 | 1,500.00 | |
| 7-29 | 3,000.00 | |
| 8-6 | 2,000.00 | |
| 8-6 | 2,500.00 | (O and A) |
| 8-17 | 2,000.00 | |
| 9-21 | 3,500.00 | (Defense) |
| 9-21 | 2,500.00 | |
| 10-11 | 4,000.00 | |
| 10-27 | 2,500.00 | |
| 11-4 | 905.06 | |
| 11-26 | 1,500.00 | |
| 12-3 | 815.00 | |
| 12-3 | 3,276.00 | |
| 12-3 | 2,000.00 | |
| 12-16 | 1,500.00 | |
| 12-31 | 5,127.04 | |
| 12-31 | <u>1,281.27</u> | |

Total \$75,237.75

5.SPECIAL

| | | |
|-------|-------------|------------------------|
| 2-10 | \$ 30.00 | |
| 4-11 | 60.00 | Frn (O and A) |
| 8-6 | 5,000.00 | (O and A) |
| 8-6 | 2,000.00 | Repaid loan (Illinois) |
| 9-17 | 5,000.00 | (Di) |
| 10-11 | 200.00 | Defense (Colorado) |
| 10-11 | 1,668.00 | Defense (California) |
| 10-11 | 452.00 | Defense (Seattle) |
| 10-29 | 2,500.00 | (O and A) |
| 11-10 | 1,000.00 | |
| 12-8 | <u>2.50</u> | |

Total \$18,412.50

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6. ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

A. Local Fares

This item, which amounted to \$956.75 in 1954, consisted primarily of cab fares and phone calls.

B. Literature

Expenditures in this category were labeled "Lit" in the detailed records supporting above mentioned financial report and no further data was provided concerning them. This item amounted to \$592.04 in 1954.

C. Food

Expenditures in this classification amounted to \$439.95 for 1954. Typical disbursements of this nature were:

| | | |
|------|------------------|---------|
| 2-7 | Food (OB) | \$12.00 |
| 4-7 | Food (OB) | 13.00 |
| 4-26 | Food (OB) | 22.00 |
| 5-10 | Food (Adm. Comm) | 15.00 |
| 5-20 | Food (org.Mtg.) | 15.00 |
| 7-30 | Food (OB) | 5.00 |

D. Supplies and Equipment

Expenditures for this purpose amounted to \$190.86 in 1954. Typical expenses in this classification were "stationery," "supplies" and "typewriter rental."

E. Hotels

Hotel expenses for 1954 amounted to \$137.18. The records of these expenses did not identify the hotels used or provide other data of value.

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F. Administrative Expenses

| | | |
|-------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1-26 | \$ 2.25 | Meeting |
| 3-1 | 300.00 | Refund on dues |
| 5-10 | 1.50 | Meeting |
| 5-26 | 28.65 | Meeting (O and A) |
| 5-26 | 175.00 | org. loan (1953 N.Y.) |
| 6-22 | <u>20.00</u> | org. (Ma) |
| Total | \$669.87 | |

G. Miscellaneous

This item, which amounted to \$206.13 in 1954,
consisted chiefly of "Personal" expenditures and gifts.

H. Reserve

| | | |
|------|---------------|-----|
| 3-6 | \$100.00 | Frn |
| 3-11 | 50.00 | Vn |
| 3-11 | 150.00 | Bi |
| 3-11 | 150.00 | O |
| 3-11 | 150.00 | Jo |
| 4-8 | <u>100.00</u> | Jo |

Total \$700.00

7. CAR EXPENSES

A. Gas and Oil

Total expenses in this classification for 1954
are set out as amounting to \$449.36 in above mentioned
financial report. A review of the cash disbursements book
and supporting records by the NYO disclosed these
expenses total \$419.36.

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B. Repairs

Repairs amounted to \$774.72 for 1954.

C. Garages, Tolls, Drivers' Licenses and Parking Fees

Total expenses in this classification are set out as amounting to \$215.70 in above mentioned financial report. A review of the cash disbursements book and supporting records by the NYO disclosed these expenses total \$245.70.

D. Rentals

Car rentals amounted to \$213.54 for 1954.

E. Purchase

An entry in the cash disbursements book dated 5-24-54 reflected the purchase of a car (including insurance) for \$1,500.00. No further information was set forth concerning this transaction.

8. TRAVEL

A. Travel In

Expenditures in this category amounted to \$3,397.02 for 1954.

B. Travel Out

This classification amounted to \$4,087.73 for 1954.

9. RENT

Supplementary rent payments for 1954 totaled \$1,481.53. The following is a listing of expenditures in this classification wherein the supporting records indicate

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the individual for whom the rent was paid:

| | | |
|-------|----------|-----------------|
| 1-18 | \$ 28.75 | Frn |
| 1-30 | 68.00 | Ja 1/4 to 2/1 |
| 2-1 | 25.00 | Bi |
| 2-19 | 17.00 | Ja |
| 2-19 | 25.00 | Fr |
| 2-28 | 30.00 | O-March, April |
| 3-16 | 29.40 | Ja |
| 5-30 | 25.00 | Frn |
| 5-30 | 40.00 | Ji |
| 6-3 | 10.00 | Bi |
| 7-10 | 25.00 | Fr 6/15 to 7/15 |
| 8-12 | 75.00 | Jo-4 weeks |
| 8-12 | 5.00 | Ma |
| 8-15 | 110.00 | Fr |
| 9-22 | 10.00 | Ma |
| 10-9 | 15.00 | O |
| 10-28 | 55.00 | Fr |

10 ACME

| | | |
|-------|----------|----------------------|
| 1-9 | \$ 2.00 | (Fares) |
| 1-9 | 50.00 | |
| 2-7 | 10.50 | (Gas and oil, tolls) |
| 2-26 | 50.00 | (Advance car rent) |
| 3-6 | 70.00 | (Pa) |
| 3-12 | 30.00 | (Har) |
| 3-15 | 130.00 | (Clothing, etc-Frn) |
| 3-21 | 25.00 | (Advance- Pa Car) |
| 3-30 | 100.00 | (Maintenance) |
| 6-1 | 70.00 | (Advance - Ba) |
| 7-30 | 25.00 | (Ba) |
| 8-16 | 30.00 | |
| 9-13 | 50.00 | |
| 10-1 | 92.60 | |
| 11-19 | 5.00 | |
| Total | \$740.10 | |

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11. LOANS

| | | |
|-------|----------|---------|
| 1-28 | \$ 50.00 | Al |
| 2-7 | 170.00 | Ma |
| 4-9 | 300.00 | Calif. |
| 6-27 | 230.00 | Jo |
| 7-1 | 501.00 | Jo |
| 7-9 | 100.00 | O |
| 8-10 | 50.00 | Bi |
| 8-20 | 50.00 | Vi |
| 9-17 | 5,000.00 | Special |
| 11-4 | 300.00 | Cal. |
| 12-23 | 100.00 | D |

Total \$6,851.00

12. WELFARE

| | | |
|------|----------|--------------------------|
| 1-9 | \$100.00 | G.G. (Ill.) |
| 1-10 | 50.00 | Vacation (Bi) |
| 1-18 | 300.00 | Medical (Fr) |
| 1-28 | 300.00 | Family (Al 1-11 to 3-29) |
| 2-1 | 11.00 | Medical (Vn) |
| 2-8 | 10.00 | Medical (Fr) |
| 2-8 | 23.10 | Dental (Fr) |
| 2-8 | 120.00 | Do (to 2-5) |
| 2-19 | 16.21 | Vacation (Al) |
| 2-19 | 75.00 | Additional Medical (Fr) |
| 2-26 | 50.00 | Medical (Bob) |
| 4-7 | 50.00 | Dental (O) |
| 4-26 | 10.00 | Medical |
| 5-15 | 60.00 | Do |
| 5-26 | 150.00 | Steve (N.Y.) |
| 5-26 | 450.00 | Billy G. (Ohio) |
| 5-23 | 275.00 | Vacation (Jo) |
| 5-23 | 12.00 | Fares |
| 6-3 | 100.00 | Dental (Vn) |
| 6-17 | 110.00 | Do (3-26 to 5-28) |
| 6-17 | 200.00 | Vacation (Ru) |

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|-------|------------|--|
| 6-22 | 8.00 | Medical |
| 6-22 | 200.00 | Vacation (Be) |
| 6-26 | 350.00 | Vacation (Mis-a-facilitiads) |
| 7-9 | 200.00 | Vacation (O) |
| 7-9 | 185.00 | Vacation (Mich) |
| 7-16 | 4.00 | Medical (Vn) |
| 7-29 | 200.00 | Vacation (Vn) |
| 7-30 | 80.00 | Vacation (Ma) |
| 8-2 | 175.00 | Negro Commission |
| 8-2 | 60.00 | Do (to 7-9) |
| 8-5 | 550.00 | Family (Al 4-5 to 8-30) |
| 8-13 | 150.00 | Vacation (Al) |
| 8-18 | 100.00 | Art (Ill) |
| 8-10 | 300.00 | Family (Bi Feb.-July) |
| 8-20 | 60.00 | Do (to 8-20) |
| 9-8 | 50.00 | Medical |
| 9-10 | 50.00 | Vacation (Vi) |
| 9-17 | 200.00 | Di (clothes) |
| 9-27 | 300.00 | Al (12 weeks at \$25.00 per week to 11-19) |
| 10-14 | 28.00 | Al (clothes) |
| 11-4 | 220.00 | Vacation (Do) |
| 11-6 | 4.00 | Modical |
| 11-8 | 17.00 | Modical |
| 11-10 | 12.00 | Medical |
| 12-3 | 300.00 | T (12-3 to 2-11-55) |
| 12-3 | 2.50 | Medical |
| 12-27 | 14.45 | Medical |
| Total | \$6,292.96 | |

13. ADVANCES

| | | |
|-------|----------|------------------------|
| 1-25 | \$150.00 | (travel wa) |
| 2-3 | 100.00 | (Ma) |
| 2-19 | 850.00 | (travel - Al) |
| 9-12 | 1,000.00 | (Spacial O and A - Di) |
| 10-9 | 350.00 | (Vn and N) |
| 10-9 | 200.00 | (O) |
| 10-22 | 60.00 | (Be) |

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|-------|---------------|------|
| 10-27 | 50.00 | (Be) |
| 10-29 | 100.00 | (D) |
| 11-4 | 100.00 | (T) |
| 11-10 | 500.00 | (Ma) |
| 11-10 | 150.00 | (D) |
| 12-4 | <u>500.00</u> | (T) |

Total \$4,110.00

It is noted above mentioned financial report reflects a surplus of \$932.34 was realized "on advances (transition 1953-1954)". A review of the detailed records made available by NK 2016-S* failed to disclose how this figure was derived.

14. NEGRO COMMISSION

| | | |
|------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 2-7 | \$100.00 | Travel in |
| 2-10 | 100.00 | |
| 4-9 | 50.00 | Travel in |
| 4-9 | 110.00 | " |
| 5-30 | 18.00 | Food |
| 6-5 | 6.00 | "lost time - O and A" |
| 6-5 | <u>10.00</u> | Travel in |

Total \$394.00

15. TRADE UNION

| | | |
|------|--------------|---------------------------|
| 2-8 | \$10.00 | T.V. Commission |
| 2-17 | 360.00 | Steel (1/1-3/5) (L and I) |
| 4-2 | 125.00 | T.V. (Pack. Com. mtg.) |
| 4-2 | 52.00 | T. V. (Auto Com.) |
| 4-2 | 40.00 | T. U. C. (meeting) |
| 6-17 | 75.00 | Pre-convention travel |
| 6-17 | 90.00 | National T. U.C. |
| 6-17 | <u>70.00</u> | "Pkg. Mtg." |

Total \$822.00

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Based on information developed in the investigation of CP Underground operations by the NYO, the individuals mentioned above in this letter are tentatively identified as follows:

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| Al and T | IRVING HERMAN |
| Al L | ALBERT LANNON |
| Art (Ill) | ARTHUR HAENDLE |
| Be | unknown |
| Bi | GUSTAVE SIMON |
| Billy G. (Ohio) | Unknown |
| Bob | unknown |
| D, Di, O | JACK KLING |
| Do | unknown |
| Fr and Frn | CELESTE KAPLAN |
| G G (Ill.) | GIL GREEN |
| Harry | NED SPARKS |
| Ja | MARION DODD |
| Jer | unknown |
| Ji | PHIL BART |
| Jo | EDWARD STRONG |
| Ma | ESTHER EISENSCHER |
| Mur | unknown |

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|------------|----------------|
| N and Vi | CONSTANCE BART |
| Pa | JAMES WEST |
| Ru | MARTHA STONE |
| Steve (NY) | unknown |
| War | unknown |
| Vn | MAX WEISS |

It is noted that under the Welfare Section, a payment was indicated has having been made to BILLY G. (Ohio). The Cincinnati and Cleveland Offices are requested to submit their ideas regarding the possible identity of this individual.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Newark (100-2974)
FROM : SAC, New York (100-66211)
SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE
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DATE: 6/21/55

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NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, advised that on 4/18/55, PHIL BART stated that the presence of CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT there has had the effect of bringing JIM FORD in there in leadership, something which should have been done long ago. At this point, MARTHA (believed to be MARTHA STONE) told ELVA (believed to be ELVA LANNON) to tell SI (believed to be SIMON GERSON) to come up, that she had excused him for half an hour, not all afternoon. On SI's return, MARTHA told him that this was the second meeting on the problems of the CRC and that the central proposal was, should the National increase its aid to the CRC to \$300, weekly, which would be a \$200. increase over what it was at present, thereby enabling the CRC to maintain its present staff with BILL (believed to be BILL ALBERTSON) devoting his time to trial

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- 1 - New Haven (100-14795)(MARTHA STONE)(RM)
- 1 - Chicago (100-CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)(RM)
- 1 - Washington Field (100-DAVE REIN)(RM)
- 1 - NY (100-54012)(ELVA LANNON) 12-141-NY (100-101400) [REDACTED]
- 1 - NY (100-13473)(SIMON GERSON) 12-14 [REDACTED] 7-5
- 1 - NY (65-5604)(WILLIAM ALBERTSON) 1-NY (100-21259)(MAC GORDON)
- 1 - NY (100-52331)(SAM BARON) 12-14 1-NY (100-80675)(CRC) 7-12
- 1 - NY (100-70281)(GERALD WM. DALY) 1-NY (100-74560)(CP, USA FUNDS)
- ① - NY (100-56579)(PHIL BART) 7-1
- 1 - NY (100-98099)(CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) 1-NY (100-81752)(COMPROS)
- 1 - NY (100-9364)(JAMES FORD) 7-5
- 1 - NY (100-100712)(DAVE REIN) 7-5
- 1 - NY (100-84275)(WM. L. PATTERSON) 12-14
- 1 - NY (100-9984)(ALBERT FLUMBERG) 7-1
- 1 - NY (100-85051)(MILTON FRIEDMAN) 12-9
- 1 - NY (100-13483)(BETTY GANNETT) 7-5
- 1 - NY (100-54899)(LEON WOFSY) 7-5
- 1 - NY (100-54965)(JOHN AET) 12-15

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defenses, or, an alternate proposal, if the National could not help them, would be to cut the staff and have BILL and SAM (believed to be SAM BARON) go to work. She said that the CRC had taken over the defense of cases of national importance, however, there was a need to save money by centralizing the hiring of attorneys. As an example of the inefficiencies she asked why there were three lawyers in the MATUSOW hearings. SI said there was actually only one, but an unidentified man replied that there were actually three. MARTHA said there were three and therefore it cost this office \$8,000.

MARTHA then said that JIM FORD should be more integrated with the National CRC. She said that the New York and National CRC organization should get together for a discussion. SI proposed that New York give a man to the National CRC, or else BILL ALBERTSON would become so tied up it would conflict with the mass policy. MARTHA said that perhaps the funds should go to an independent committee. SI remarked that the discussion about JIM changed his locale and work. He said this committee would share the office with the CRC and help generally with mass campaigns and take New York's responsibility. He said he liked the proposal of a smaller committee of PAT (believed to be WILLIAM L. PATTERSON) and PHIL and a technical worker and the State committee would form a legal panel.

An unidentified man stated that JERRY (believed to be GERALD WILLIAM DALY) gets \$30.00 a week.

At this point, a man indicated by the informant as possibly being BILL ALBERTSON, said that "We owe about \$11,000. and must raise \$2,000. between now and the first of the month; this does not include salary payments and we still owe (here the amount was indiscernible to the informant) and the 1953 income tax."

MARTHA proposed that they get together again Tuesday afternoon, 5/3/55, at 4:00 P.M. BILL ALBERTSON said that this indecision was an unhealthy situation for the CRC as SAM was waiting at the office for him to come back in order that he might know if he should go out and get a job or what. He said that FRIEDMAN (believed to be MILTON FRIEDMAN) was waiting for his \$2000. and had given a lot of work free. BILL continued that the last six weeks had seen the CRC deteriorate materially, and that either they had to decide that day or liquidate the organization politically because they needed a \$5000 loan.

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that week, even if the staff was cut. BART (believed to be PHIL BART) said that they had set a budget of \$235,000. and that it called for \$5000. a year (presumably for the CRC). BART said that New York knocked off \$5000. from its fund drive and that the maximum that they could raise on defense was \$30,000., whereas he had planned for \$40,000.

According to the informant, MARTHA took up the conversation and stated that it was a fact that they paid \$200. for the lawyers to go down and see BETTY (believed to be BETTY GINNETT), and a fact that they spent \$8000 on the MATUSOW thing, and also a fact they they must raise their budget. She told WOFSY (possibly LEON WOFSY) to work with BILL and obtain a loan.

BILL suggested that they put somebody on full time for defense work and take over every case that came up! He stated that since 1949, his name is "junk" and that JOHN ABT told him that he was surprised that any lawyer would take a CRC case. He said he had to write a check to [redacted] and she in turn, paid DAVE REIN . He also stated that in 1950 or 1951 REIN was cheated out of a lot of money.

PHIL BART stated that they had paid out only \$2600 on BOB (believed to be [redacted]). He asked BILL if they could borrow \$2500 at this time and then take up the matter again in about a month, but BILL replied in the negative.

The informant then stated that BART called MAC GORDON and told him he would be over in ten minutes and that WOFSY would be with him. The informant indicated that BART and WOFSY then left.

According to the informant, MARTHA then told AL (possibly ALBERT BLUMBERG) that she thought that SI's position and policy was a little picayune.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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SAC, New York (100-123322) 12-13)

6/22/55

ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON, SA

MAX MAMET
SM-C

On 5/27/55, NY 694-S reported that the captioned subject is currently employed as a clerk and customer's man at the office of Franklin, Meyer and Barnett, 120 Broadway, NYC.

According to the informant, PHIL BART, CP functionary who has replaced the late WILLIAM WIRMER as head of the CP Reserve Fund (secret CP fund), intends to make MAMET part of his Reserve Fund apparatus. At the present time, MAMET is in custody of \$2,500.00 in Reserve Fund money which he has invested in the stock market. BART hopes to invest more CP funds in the stock market through MAMET.

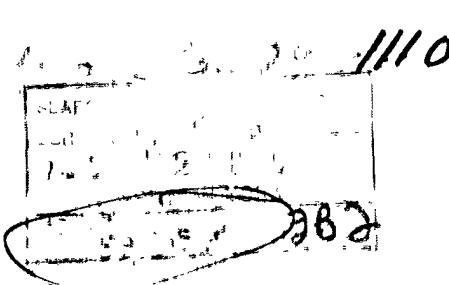
BART, according to NY 694-S, also is desirous of SAM BROWN'S becoming more active in the Reserve Fund apparatus. BROWN, it will be noted, already is connected with the Reserve Fund apparatus.

NY 694-S called attention to the fact that any inquiries concerning MAMET made at MAMET'S office by the FBI - personally or telephonically - might result in MAMET'S losing his position, and consequently might make it difficult for the informant to be aware of MAMET'S activities in behalf of the CP Reserve Fund.

It is suggested that any inquiries concerning MAMET'S employment be made through SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON, who contacts NY 694-S.

- 1-NY 100-21785 (SAM BROWN) (6)
- 1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-1)
- 1-NY 100-74560 (CP, USA & FUNDS) (7-1)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FBI, DETROIT (100-2050)

6/22/55

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

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Re Chicago airtel 6/17/55. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, SAM KUSHNER, LEON NELSON and PHIL BART identified through fixed fisurs and spot check fisurs at SAUL WELLMAN residence various times since late evening 6/20/55 through this date, 6/22. Person tentatively identified as JOSIP FARBER also seen at WELLMAN residence. During period other leading Detroit CP subjects visited WELLMAN residence.

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1 - 100-89590 (CP STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
1 - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
1 - 100- (JOSIP FARBER)
1 - 100-63755 (LEON NELSON)

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SUMMARY REPORT
SUPPLEMENTAL PROSECUTIVE SUMMARY REPORT

II. COMMUNIST PARTY CONNECTIONS

RALPH K. HELTZINGER, 508 Penn Avenue, West Reading, Pa., a former member of the Communist Party, Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware (CP, EFD), testified on June 10, 1954, in the case of the United States vs. Kuzma, et al, at the Philadelphia Smith Act Trial.

This witness can testify that he first met the subject on the Labor Day week-end of September 1946 at Camp Summerdale, which is located near Harrisburg, Pa. BART was an instructor at a three day Communist Party (CP) Leadership School being held at this camp. This witness was one of the students. The witness is unable to recall the subjects that BART lectured on but he can testify that the subject made comments to the students concerning security measures. HELZINGER can also testify that he has seen BART on a number of occasions subsequent to this school. He is of the opinion that he saw BART at CP functions in Philadelphia. He can testify that BART was a CP official in Philadelphia but the witness does not know what his position was.

JOHN LAUTNER, former Chairman, New York State Review Commission, CP, who was expelled from the CP in 1950, can testify that BART was the CP Organizer, Philadelphia District, for four years from 1945 to late 1949 or early 1950.

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This witness can testify to the following:

PHILIP BART is the head of finances of the National Office, CP, United States of America (USA). He can further testify that the subject is responsible for "everything" in the CP including the Underground and he is supplying the underground first and whatever is left goes to the open Party affairs.

(12/6/54)

During the period BART operated in the CP Underground he was the CP Organizer for the states of Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Missouri, Wisconsin, Texas, and the Rocky Mountain area.

(3/3/55)

Although there is no title for BART's position he is actually the National Organizational Secretary of the CP. The subject is in charge of the CP funds and he is a member of the National Administrative Committee, CP, USA.

(3/3/55)

T-86

This witness can testify to the following:

PHILIP BART succeeded WILLIAM WEINER, deceased, as head of the CP Reserve Fund.

(1/31/55)

He can testify that BART has been relieved of his CP Underground assignment and he will be employed in open CP activities.

(2/14/55)

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PHILIP BART, when he was relieved of his underground assignment, was slated to work in New York City, N.Y., as the Organizational Secretary and Treasurer of the CP, USA. This witness can also testify that BART continues to have charge of the CP Reserve Fund.

(2/18/55)

PHIL BART recently left New York City, N.Y., to visit CP Districts Headquarters in connection with the new National CP Fund Drive. The CP was desirous of raising \$175,000 in this drive. \$100,000 of this amount was to go to the "Daily Worker" and \$75,000 was to be used by the National CP Organization.

(3/23/55)

T-87

This witness can testify to the following:

On February 6, 1955, a city-wide CP Press Conference was held at 2026 North 32d Street, Philadelphia. MINNIE SCINEIDERMAN, District Press Director, Communist Party, Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware (CP, EPD) was the Chairman of this conference and stated that the purpose of this meeting was to turn in subscriptions and money obtained in the CP Press Drive. 180 subscriptions to the "Daily Worker" and/or "The Worker" were turned in at this meeting. JOSEPH KUZMA, convicted Philadelphia Smith Act subject, spoke at this conference as the Representative of the District Board, CP, EPD. KUZMA stated that on February 19 and 20, 1955, there was scheduled a National Press Conference to be held in New York City, N.Y. KUZMA announced that he expected each region and section of the CP, EPD to fulfill its pledges by February 19, 1955, so that Philadelphia would be in a position to give a good report at this national conference. KUZMA also announced that five press representatives representing each region of the CP in Philadelphia will attend the New York City conference. He said the regions and sections will select their own representatives.

(2/8/55)

On February 19, 1955, a delegation from Philadelphia, Pa., consisting

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of JERRY MARSHALL, HELEN KLONSKY, CHARLES ROBINSON, BEN SHOEN, ESTELLE SHOEN, SIRGE DAVIS, MIRIAM CRAWFORD, LEON TESSLER, and MINNIE SCHNEIDERMAN, travelled to New York to attend this press conference. This conference was held at the Yugoslav Hall.

PHILIP BIRT was the Chairman of the meeting. MARTHA STONE gave the main address. She spoke on the progress of the press drive. STONE stated they were very pleased with the progress shown to date this year as compared with the results of last year.

After MARTHA STONE's speech, delegates from various areas spoke on the progress of the drive in their districts. These delegates did not identify themselves. MINNIE SCHNEIDERMAN was in charge of the Philadelphia delegation, and made arrangements for the admittance of the above named Philadelphia representatives to this conference.

SCHNEIDERMAN spoke for the CP, EPD and stated that this district had accomplished 75% of their quota. She said that the out-of-town sections had fallen down but that Philadelphia itself, through close supervision, had exceeded its quota.

ROBERT KLONSKY, a convicted Philadelphia Smith Act subject, also spoke. He attributed the successful fund drive in Philadelphia to the close control exercised by the leaders down through the sections and the individual clubs. KLONSKY emphasized that this was not a temporary condition but one which would continue in the future.

After each district had reported on the drive, PHILIP BIRT made three proposals concerning action to be taken by the various districts. These proposals are:

1. The "Daily Worker" Fund Drive. Effective March 15, 1955, a new drive was to commence to raise an additional \$100,000, which amount would supplement the \$75,000 already raised. Each district was to be charged with a quota.

2. FAUST's birthday celebrations were to be held in each district from March 15, 1955, to April 1, 1955. Each club was to send greetings to FAUST and attempt to sell FAUST's new book.

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3. A celebration for national CP leaders. The CP expected the jailed national leaders to be released in April 1955 and they wanted celebrations to be held honoring them throughout the country.

This witness also observed MAX GORDON at this conference.

(6/8/55)

T-65

This witness can testify to the following:

On February 19, 1955, JERRY M'RSALL, BEN SHOHEN, ESTELLE SHOHEN, CHARLES ROBINSON, SIRGE DAVIS, HELEN KLONSKY, MIRIAM CRAWFORD, MINNIE SCHNEIDERMAN, and an unidentified white male, attended a press conference at the Yugoslav Hall, New York City, N.Y. With the exception of DAVIS and ROBINSON, who were observers, the above named individuals were Philadelphia Delegates to this conference. ROBERT KLONSKY joined this delegation at the conference which was held from approximately 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. A lunch hour break was held between 3:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

PHILIP BART was the Chairman of this conference and MARTHA STONE, who was arrested for violation of the Smith Act, was the main speaker. She made the following comments:

The various areas had fallen down in obtaining subscriptions to "The Worker" and the "Daily Worker." One reason for the failure of the various districts in not meeting their quota was the lack of leadership. CP members in right wing organizations have not tried to circulate "The Worker." Instead of CP members influencing right wing organizations, they were being influenced by these organizations.

The floor was then opened to the approximately 75 delegates. The delegates did not identify themselves by name when they took the floor. They did reveal the area that they represented. MINNIE SCHNEIDERMAN, Press Director, CP, EPD, stated that Eastern Pennsylvania had not met its quota for the "Daily Worker" and "The Worker" because the people in the area outside of Philadelphia had not attained their quotas for "The Worker" and the "Daily Worker" drive.

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She said that due to close supervision Philadelphia had achieved excellent results in the drive. MINNIE SCHNEIDERMAN commented that Philadelphia attained approximately 82% of its subscription drive.

ROBERT KLONSKY stated that the excellent results achieved in the subscription drive in Philadelphia resulted because of the close supervision by leaders in Philadelphia.

The Chicago, Ill. representative stated that the Claude Lightfoot Smith Act Trial was the cause of their not obtaining their established quota.

Representatives from various districts such as Chicago, Ill. and Detroit, Mich., were scheduled to be held over for a special conference to see what could be done to implement their subscription drive.

The subscription drive was scheduled to end the latter part of March 1955 and the leaders of the conference were interested in completing it before the CP Fund Drive started. This latter drive was scheduled to commence shortly after the completion of the subscription drive.

(2/21/55)

T-15

This witness can testify to the following:

HELEN KLONSKY was a member of the CP, EPD.

(3/17/53)

ESTELLE SHOHEN was the Treasurer of the Women's Commission, CP, EPD.

(1/24/51)

MIRIAM CRAWFORD was the Section Organizer of the 24th Ward Section, CP, EPD, as of May 16, 1955.

(5/16/55)

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LEON TESSLER, as of July 30, 1954, was the Press Director, 2d Congressional District (CD) Region, CP, EPD.

(7/30/54)

T-87

This witness can testify to the following:

BENJAMIN SHOHEN was the Press Director of the 4th CD Region, CP, EPD, as of January 25, 1955.

(1/25/55)

SARGE DAVIS, whose true name is HIRIM DAVIS, was a member of the Negro Commission, CP, EPD, as of 2/10/55.

(2/10/55)

T-89

This witness can testify to the following:

JERRY MARSHALL, whose true name is JEROME MARSHALL, was a CP member of the 28th Ward Section, CP, EPD, as of June 10, 1955.

(6/10/55)

CHARLES ROBINSON, as of February 1955, was a member of the CP, 4th CD Region, CP, EPD.

(6/10/55)

T-34

This witness can testify to the following:

On February 19, 1955, a National Conference of the Freedom of the Press was held at the Yugoslav Hall, New York City, N.Y.

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This conference was opened by PHILIP BART, the Chairman, who stated, "The purpose of this National Conference called by our Party" was tackling "the Worker," and also the "Daily Worker" from a new angle. BART stated the main speaker would take this up in more detail. BART stated the second purpose of the conference was to discuss the political aspects which "us comrades can bring back to our apparatus so that we can further the development of the political viewpoints of the leaders of the paper." BART also stated that although the meeting was originally scheduled to conclude at 5:00 p.m., it was not possible to conclude the conference in a couple of hours for there were a dozen states represented and it might continue into the evening.

MARThA STONE was the main speaker. She reported that the audience consisted of "the leadership of our Party, comprising section, county, state and district board level." She spoke on "Necessity of Bringing Our Press to our Comrades to be a decisive factor in our day to day problems."

She stated the National Leadership feels they have been responsible for the "Daily Worker" and "The Worker" falling back, however, she felt that the National Leadership realized that the enemy had played a key role in creating fear in bringing pressure which resulted in a reduction in the number of readers and subscribers. She said "However, the forces of peace both on a national and international level, have been strengthened in the past few years. In view of this change the National Leadership has decided that the following must be done today: 1 - all leadership in the Communist Party are to participate actively and directly in the build-up of the paper; they are to see not only that Press Directors are re-established in the various areas, but constant checks and rechecks of their activities and responsibilities must be made.

"2 - The entire leadership of the Party is to go out and get subscribers and if necessary for the leaders to make arrangements to get the papers themselves for members who cannot get the papers directly. No one in the Party is too big to participate in this new look.

"3 - The Party feels that the hard-core of the test builders-- that if it were not for them--the level of the "Daily Worker" would not be where it is today--that the Party leaders feel that no recognition has been given them in the past and they are to be accepted immediately as a new form of cadre in the Party. In the past some of our leaders have gone ahead in the Party through their political work and trade union work, but not through their press work. However,

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from now on the press builders are to be given the same recognition as the others.

"4 - The ideological front in which the paper plays a key role, wished the group present to discuss and accept the idea of publishing a supplement to the "Daily Worker" on a monthly basis and in these supplements, which would be contributed from various areas, would be up to date articles regarding the specific area covered in the supplement. In those supplements there would always be the latest news from that particular area concerning the CIO-AFL merger."

MARThA STONE announced that as of March 1, 1955, the leadership decided that 75% of the quota for the "Daily Worker" must be obtained. The reason for this was that five of the original Smith Act victims would then be free and it would be a tribute to their freedom and their sufferings.

During her talk, MARThA STONE made reference to "the Party," "Comrades," and "we Communists."

76 people attended this meeting. The witness furnished the names of the following who were in attendance:

Dr. (FNU) BLUMBERG
JOAN LIPSHIRES
FLORENCE TMSKY
IDITH AEBER
ALICE MILLS
(FNU) BARRY
GEORGE WHITE (PH)
MAX GORDON

This witness furnished a five page letter which he received at this conference from MAX GORDON, an official of the "Daily Worker." This letter, dated February 19, 1955, was issued by the National Administrative Committee and is addressed to "Dear Comrades." This letter deals with "the sharpening of international tensions and the increased dangers of war," and is quoted in part below:

"To meet the new situation and to help realize the perspectives for 1956 projected in the Party program, our entire Party must make a decisive turn in its peace work. This means in the first place the leading cadres at every

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"level. In the immediate period we need to:

"1. Utilize the new openings created by the struggle over the Formosa resolution to advance the fight for an end to the provocations against China, support for the Soviet Union's proposal (backed by Nehru) for a ten-power conference on Formosa, and admission of People's China to the UN.

"2. Develop a dynamic mass campaign against West German rearmament and for negotiations to create a unified, demilitarized, denazified Germany.

"3. Participate in and contribute to the developing campaign to defeat the UMT bill introduced in Congress.

"On all these issues, as well as related peace issues (East-West trade, the banning of the A and H-Bombs, disarmament, reduction of the war budget, etc.) and the general campaign for peaceful coexistence, we need to tackle concretely the problem of stimulating activity in the trade unions. That is where the center of gravity of all our peace work must be."

A photostatic copy of this letter is available in the Philadelphia Office of the FBI.

[redacted] was described as the [redacted] Southeast Section of Massachusetts and [redacted] for the CP of New England.

(2/22/55)

FLORENCE TUMSKY attended a CP meeting at New Bedford, Mass., on February 15, 1953. As of February 19, 1953, she was in charge of "Daily Worker" b6 b7C subscriptions in the New England area.

(2/22/55)

[redacted] in April 1953, was the [redacted], Lynn, Mass., Branch, CP, USA, District Number 1.

(4/53)

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EDITH ABBER, on March 6, 1955, was a member of the Regional Committee of Section Organizers and District Secondary Leadership, CP, USA, District Number One.

(3/6/55)

T-88

This witness can testify to the following:

PHIL BART was the chairman of a National Conference, CP, USA, held on February 19, 1955, at Yugoslav Hall, New York City, N.Y.

The "Daily Worker" circulation was the main topic of discussion at this conference. 69 delegates representing the Bronx, New York City, Detroit, Mich., Philadelphia, Pa., and Chicago, Ill., attended.

(2/19/55)

The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper. "The Worker" is the Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker."

III. APPENDIX - WITNESSES

RALPH K. HELTZINGER
508 Penn Avenue,
West Reading, Pa.

This witness is a former member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This witness can testify that on the Labor Day week-end of September 1946 the subject was an instructor at a three day CP Leadership School held at Camp Summerdale, which is located near Harrisburg, Pa. (See page 1).

JOHN LAUTNER
Washington, D.C.

This witness is a former member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

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This witness can testify that BART was CP Organizer, Philadelphia District, for four years from 1945 to late 1949 or early 1950. (See page 1).

T-15

This witness is a member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This witness can testify concerning the CP connections of HELEN KLONSKY, ESTELLE SHOHEN, MIRIAM CRAWFORD, and LEON TESSLER. (See pages 6 and 7).

T-34

This witness is a member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This witness can testify that BART was the Chairman of the National Conference of the Freedom of the Press held in New York City, N.Y., on February 19, 1955. He can further testify concerning what transpired at this conference. (See pages 7, 8 and 9).

This witness can introduce a letter issued by the National Administrative Committee dated February 19, 1955. (See pages 9 and 10).

This witness can further testify concerning the CP connections of [redacted] and EDITH ABBER. (See pages 10 and 11). b6 b7C

He can also testify that FLORENCE TAMSKY attended a CP meeting on February 15, 1953, and that she was in charge of the "Daily Worker" subscriptions in the New England area as of February 19, 1953. (See page 10).

T-52

This witness is a member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This witness can testify that BART is head of finances of the National Office, CP, USA. During the period BART operated the CP Underground he, BART, was the CP Organizer for the states of Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Missouri, Wisconsin, Texas, and the Rocky Mountain area. BART is in

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charge of CP funds, and is a member of the National Administrative Committee, CP, USA, and is actually the National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA. (See page 2).

T-65

This witness is a member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This witness can testify that BART was the Chairman of a press conference held at Yugoslav Hall, New York City, N.Y., on February 19, 1955. He can further testify as to what transpired at this conference. (See pages 5 and 6).

T-86

This witness is a member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This witness can testify that BART succeeded WILLIAM WEINER as head of the CP Reserve Fund. (See page 2).

He can further testify that BART was scheduled to be the Organizational Secretary and Treasurer of the CP, USA, and that BART left New York City, N.Y. recently (March 23, 1955) to visit CP Districts Headquarters in connection with the new National CP Fund Drive. (See page 3).

T-87

This witness is a member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This witness can testify as to what transpired at the February 6, 1955, city-wide CP Press Conference held in Philadelphia, Pa. This witness can also testify that PHILIP BART was the Chairman of the press conference held in New York City on February 19, 1955. He can also testify as to what occurred at this press conference. (See pages 3, 4, and 5).

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T-88

This witness is a member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This witness can testify that PHILIP BART was the Chairman of the National Conference, CP, USA, held on February 19, 1955, at the Yugoslav Hall, New York City, N.Y. (See page 11).

T-89

This witness is a member of the CP who has furnished reliable information in the past.

This witness can testify relative to the CP membership of [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted] (See page 7).

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| | Characterization of HIRAM DAVIS | 2/10/55 | | |
| T-88, [REDACTED] | National conference CP, USA, 2/19/55 | 2/19/55 | To be documented further by New York Office | |
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Extreme care should be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

Re Chicago teletype to New York dated June 27, 1955, captioned "CP - USA, UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS", in which it was stated that CONNIE BART believes that she was "made" by the FBI and is scheduled to return to the open Party from the underground in two or three days. CG 5824-S orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on June 27, 1955, that he had learned from PHIL BART that he and his wife will have the following address when she returns to the open Party:

c/o [redacted]

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Brooklyn, New York,
telephone - EU 7-7611.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Newark (100-2974)

FROM: SAC, New York (100-66211) 7-5

SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE
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DATE: 6/24/55

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NY 693-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, advised that on 3/22/55, MARTHA STONE contacted an individual believed to be ISADORE WOFSY at CP headquarters and asked for PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART). She asked PHIL if he could recall a matter that they had discussed in connection with HERB (believed to be HERBERT APTHEKER) on the day that they had the peace discussion. She reminded PHIL that she was going to send out a letter to the committee at that time concerning whether or not it would be advisable. When PHIL indicated that he recalled the matter, MARTHA said that now HERB was going to be approached and she wanted PHIL to find out, if he came in, whether or not he would be willing to prepare the report.

According to the informant, later that same day MARTHA, at CP headquarters, contacted HERB and told him that they would have to follow up on the matter. She said that ABE (believed to be ABE MAGIL) was coming over to see him. HERB

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then told her that he had completed his article which he called "The Informer System and Democracy" which would run approximately six pages. He said he was also planning to publish a piece which they had there which was a summarization and commentary on the Soviet textbook on political economy which was written by the editors of "Pravda" and which folks urged him to translate, which he did. However, he said that even with those two articles, assuming they ran both of them (presumably in Political Affairs) they would still have five or six pages left over. MARTHA then told him that ABE and she thought they had something which would be very useful. She said she had a speech of "PRESTES" (believed to refer to LUIS CARLOS PRESTES) on the program of the CP of Brazil. She said that if it were double spaced, it would run 16 pages. She said it was very good and had a lot of meaning and significance. HERB then decided that they would hold up on the "Pravda" thing. HERB then made another suggestion. He said he had already sent to the printer and intended to run a piece called "Latin-Americas Struggle for National Independence" which ABE had recommended to him sometime previous. He said it was from the Party in Chile, and it was very short, taking up only about five pages. He said his own feeling on the matter was that having the "PRESTES" article was not too much on that subject, especially since this particular piece was short; however, he wanted to have MARTHA's opinion on it. He asked whether or not the "PRESTES" article was on the program of the Party in Brazil, and MARTHA replied that it was, and that there was a section in it which contained a great deal of relevance to the discussion now going on about the Negro Question. It was agreed that ABE would bring HERB the article later that afternoon.

Also, according to the informant, later that same day MARTHA STONE contacted one MAUDE (believed to be MAUDE WHITE KATZ) at Foundation 8-8908, and asked her to tell an unidentified individual that the appointment with him had to be cancelled because BILL (believed to be WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) was not up to it and it was not advisable at that time, according to ARTHUR (believed to be ARTHUR ZIPSER). However, she told MAUDE that she knew the unidentified man's time was precious and asked MAUDE to tell him that if he wanted to get hold of MARTHA she would be glad to see him and perhaps they could work something out.

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According to the Manhattan telephone directory, the number Foundation 8-8908 is registered to ART KATZ, 750 Riverside Drive.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-75) DATE: June 28, 1955

FROM : SAC, Detroit (100-2817)

SUBJECT: CP, USA NEGRO QUESTION
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On June 25, 1955, an anonymous source close to PHIL BART, National CP, USA, functionary, made available to Agents of the Detroit Division, a CP memorandum entitled "Current Concentration Mass Issues in the Field of Struggle for Equal Rights for the Negro People" which is set out in full below. Extreme care should be used in reporting this information due to sensitive position of source. Copies of this letter have been indicated for offices having an immediate interest:

Current Concentration Mass Issues in the Field of Struggle for Equal Rights for the Negro People

A MEMORANDUM

TO: All District Organizers, heads of national departments, committees and commissions, editors of Marxist publications.

FROM: National Administrative Committee, CPUSA.

The purpose of this memo is to define the particular current tasks in the struggle for Negro rights, both for our Party and for each of the other component parts of the democratic coalition as identified in our Program.

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The paramount and focal issue before all is the struggle for PEACE. The task of leadership is to give guidance to the specific features of this common aspiration and urgent need of all people, and to indicate the channels and forms through which it can be made articulate in respect to the Negro people. The same is true in respect to the fight against Mc Carthyism and in defense of constitutional rights; against the gathering factors of economic crisis and in defense of jobs and living standards, etc.

In other words, the task is to establish the particular relationship of the needs and interests of the Negro people to the general needs of the democratic masses as a whole and to indicate the specific avenues through which the Negro people may bring their weight to bear in behalf of the general interests.

Further, it is necessary to establish with all clarity the common and particular interest of each other component of the popular coalition in the struggle for equal, democratic rights of the Negro people. And we must point out and help expand the avenues through which the trade unions in the first place, and predominantly white organizations generally, must make important contributions to the struggle of the Negro people for equality.

Clearly, all the democratic demands of the Negro people for equality and freedom are ripe and timely demands. However, we must select for controlled concentration of our forces and influence a certain few to focus the efforts of the whole progressive and labor movement upon.

The following issues are put forward because they mirror the most urgent needs of the Negro masses, enjoy the broadest popular support among white masses, and contribute to the overall democratic needs of the working class and nation, as a whole.

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A. THE ISSUES

I. Political Action

A. Toward an increase in the number of Negro Congressmen in 1956.

Based upon the existing proportionate size of the Negro vote, its geographic distribution, and the increasing development of Negro-labor collaboration in the field of political action, the objective conditions exist for electing a minimum of six (6) additional Negroes to Congress in 1956. The achievement of this limited objective is an integral part of the political action perspectives envisioned in our Program.

What is required is that our leadership among the trade unions and mass organizations, as well as within the party, shall begin to address themselves now to all the practical questions which must be solved to realize this objective. We must begin now a 17-month plan for making a major contribution to helping guarantee the election of Negro Congressmen from the following areas:

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| 1. Brooklyn, N. Y. | 4. Chicago, Ill. |
| 2. Cleveland, Ohio | 5. Los Angeles, Calif. |
| 3. Philadelphia, Pa. | 6. South Carolina (appropriate CD to be determined) |

In addition, we must contribute toward creating necessary guarantees that the incumbent Negro Congressman -- Diggs of Detroit, Powell of N. Y., and Dawson of Chicago -- are returned.

B. For a new mass initiative to secure the right to vote in the South and the District of Columbia.

Ninety-two years after the Emancipation Proclamation, less than 15% of the 11 million Negroes in the South have won the right to vote. Also, additional millions of white working

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masses are denied the right of suffrage. The first objective should be to bring into being a bi-partisan Congressional majority to enact some kind of anti-disfranchisement, anti-poll tax, right-to-vote measure. (Study should be made of the Humphrey Bill in the Senate and the Powell-Diggs Bill in the House, and all kinds of pressure and "lobbying" activities stimulated around the meritorious aspects of these bills.)

The right-to-vote question must be propelled into the '56 national party conventions as a major issue, as occurred with civil rights in '48 and FEPC in '52. This is an essential part of the fight to undermine the base of Dixiecrat blackmail in the Democratic Party and in Congress and to expose the hypocritical do-nothing policy of the Eisenhower Republicans on civil rights legislation. The relationship of forces nationally exists for making this question a major legislative and electoral issue despite Senate Rule 22 on cloture. Mass activity, especially by labor, must be stimulated, to overcome the inclination among liberal and progressive forces to capitulate before Rule 22 without a real fight. Victory in this fight will bring 15 million voters from the Negro people and white working masses into the electorate, and is an essential part of the program to transform the character of Congress into a popular, representative body capable of defending the peace, democratic and economic interests of the whole people.

II. Economic Struggle

A. Top priority should be given in the months immediately ahead to the mobilization of masses in the labor movement and the Negro communities to win specific guarantees for protection and advancement of the job and trade union rights of Negro workers in the merged labor federation.

It must be emphasized that this is not a divisive question, but a unifying question. It must be emphasized that this is an issue on which the forces of democracy can win. It must be emphasized that victory on this question will go a long way toward cementing the unity of the working class,

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combatting opportunism among the labor bureaucracy and projecting the entire labor movement more fully into the vital struggles for Negro rights.

The specific form which this struggle should take is for an amendment to the draft constitution to substitute for the inadequate provision in Article II (4) which now reads as follows: "To encourage all workers without regard to race, creed, color or national origin to share in (our emphasis) the full benefits of union organization."

An appropriate amendment should include specific positive guarantees against discrimination and for equality for Negro workers in employment opportunities and upgrading; unsegregated membership and the right to hold all union offices. It should also put the federation on record as pledged to eliminate all union constitutional provisions and practices of Jim Crow.

How to fight for enactment of such a provision? First, the campaign should be directed toward influencing the CIO conferees and Pres. Reuther in the first place to take up this battle at the merger convention. This should be done within the framework of recognizing the positive contributions made by CIO to the fight for equality of Negro workers and urging preservation and extension of these gains in the new federation. The question must be put that the new federation must not adapt its constitution and practice to the low standards of the most backward sections of the labor movement on this question. To do so means to court disaster in the current and imminent battles with monopoly and reaction.

On this basis the progressive forces should strive to put into motion the broadest conceivable cross section of the labor movement, cutting across all political lines. Main emphasis should be placed on getting resolutions addressed to Reuther from union locals, anti-discrimination and fair practices committees, joint boards and councils and, in some instances, international union officers. There should be a concentration on the unions in the major mass production industries: auto, steel, packing, rubber, maritime, etc.

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Where possible specialized groups (Negro caucuses, progressive, center and right-wing caucuses, specially-called gatherings of Negro trade union leaders) should be urged to address themselves to the question of how to move the entire labor movement on this question.

The possibilities of involving the Negro communities are great and should be pursued on the basis of a specific plan. Following are a few proposals: (1) letters to Reuther and CIO leaders from leaders of Negro organizations, ministers, Urban League officials, NAACP presidents, and outstanding individuals; (2) resolutions to be adopted by Negro organizations and forwarded to the appropriate labor leaders; (3) letters to the editor, editorials and articles in the Negro press.

The emphasis here on the labor movement and the Negro community does not preclude, but assumes efforts to move other sectors of the population in predominantly white popular organizations and institutions. The emphasis here on CIO does not preclude, but assumes that wherever possible and circumstances dictate, appeals will also be addressed to A.F.L. leaders and particularly Meaney on this question.

B. It is necessary to elaborate the specific relationship of the economic needs of the Negro people to labor's anti-depression program. One means of doing this is to increase the struggle for the inclusion of clauses in union-management contracts and for enactment of local and federal FEP legislation. Party and progressive forces should strive to play a more vital role, helping to achieve the broadest unity, secure greater involvement of the trade unions and stimulate mass actions in the campaigns for FEP bills now under way in Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania, and other states and cities.

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However, it is not enough to limit the economic issues to FEPC. Negro family income is still less than half the family income of whites nationally. The disproportionately heavy growth of unemployment among Negro workers continues. Therefore it is necessary to bring to the fore in the Negro mass organizations, as well as in the labor movement, the special significance to the Negro people of all the demands of labor's anti-depression program and labor's economic demands: \$1.25 minimum wage, extension of social security coverage, guaranteed annual wage, etc.

C. Organization of the unorganized. It is of the utmost importance that the prime focus of the new organizing initiative which is receiving important stimulus from the movement to merge AF of L and CIO shall be in the South in the first instance. Further, the unionization in the South must be built on the basis of Negro-white workers' unity and with the elimination of "racial" and wage differentials in employment in all industries.

D. The problem of housing. On no issue is the Jim Crow oppression and economic robbery of the Negro people more dramatically revealed than in the matter of housing. The struggle to lower rents, compel landlords to modernize dwellings, and to force the government to underwrite a massive low-cost housing program must be a major element in any economic program to improve the living standard and general economic well being of the Negro masses. An inseparable part of the fight for better housing for Negroes is the fight against restrictive covenants and the increasing development of lily-white suburbs and the maintenance of lily-white enclaves within metropolitan communities. The fight against all aspects of Jim Crow in housing must receive added attention in the present period.

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III. Civil Rights.

A. A fight must be waged to force action on the Humphreys Civil Rights Package bill in the Senate and the companion measures of Powell and Diggs in the House. Our cadre and those under their influence should see the importance of shattering the specious "unity" of the Democrats based on their agreement to shelve civil rights legislation. Humphrey's sabotage of any fight against cloture when Congress opened reveals how demagogic is his use of these bills to mask his general retreat from a liberal position. The firmest intervention of labor and popular organizations of the Negro and white masses is necessary to assure that civil rights legislation will get even a Congressional Committee public hearing in this Congress. But that this is possible is indicated by the fact that the Senate FEP (Humphrey) bill has 18 sponsors, nine of whom are members of the 13-member Senate Labor Committee.

B. The May 17, 1954, Supreme Court ruling on segregation in education (whatever the character of the implementation decrees now being awaited) has given rise to a far ranging struggle for full and speedy enforcement of the Court judgment. This ruling also crystallizes attention on segregation in all other fields of life and places the status of Negroes in the thinking and consciousness of white masses in a way unprecedented since the Civil War.

We must strive for two principal objectives:
(1) Overcome the isolation of our cadre from this struggle. Our participation and leadership in various aspects of the desegregation battle must be a vital feature of our concrete contribution to the struggle of the Negro people for equal rights and freedom; (2) We must help bring about the full-bodied participation of the organized labor movement and the democratic-minded white masses in this battle.

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IV. Civil Liberties and the Fight against Mc Carthyism

A. Fascism represents a special menace to the Negro people. Mc Carthyism, American-type fascism, is a major concern of the mass organizations of the Negro people and this concern must find increasing reflection in their activities. The following cases very pointedly embody the relationship of the Negro people's particular stake in the struggle against Mc Carthyism with the general struggle in defense of constitutional liberties:

1. The Claude Lightfoot case and the defense of the rights of the Communists as a foundation block in the defense of the rights of Negroes to agitate and fight for their freedom and against the status quo. The broad constitutional issue involved in this case makes it particularly suited for carrying into the broadest circles.

2. The Louisville case. The campaign to free the victims of this outrage of justice should take on the proportions of a mass non-partisan crusade and become a part of the program of activity of all popular organizations. This infamous assault on civil liberty would establish the popular premise that it is a crime for white people to associate themselves with the fight for Negro rights on pain of being labeled as "subversive" and given the draconic sentence of 20 years in prison.

3. The case of Mrs. Rosa Lee Ingram. It is necessary to elevate the case in the popular consciousness and develop practical activity for her release from jail on the part of the major organizations of labor and the Negro and liberal white masses of the country.

4. The Paul Robeson Passport Case. This case offers possibilities of a campaign of an offensive character because it centers around a suit brought in federal court by the great artist and Negro people's spokesman to force the State Department to "show cause" why a passport should not be issued to him. Popular demand can be

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developed in the mass organizations for his right to travel to accept invitations to perform which have come from all parts of the world. Many liberal and progressive individuals and circles which have also been effected by this particular State Department usurpation of democratic process can also be involved.

V. The Fight for Peace

Of course all the democratic demands of the Negro people should be developed in their relationship to the main primary struggle of all humanity, that is, the struggle for peace. In addition, attention must be given to particular aspects of the peace and foreign policy issue which evoke a ready response from the broadest sections of the Negro masses. Major attention should be given the following:

1. Cultivate and popularize the growing trend among spokesmen of the Negro people of opposition to the present disastrous foreign policy of the government. Work to extend and deepen the position of those who--even though at times hesitantly--advocate a policy of coexistence and generally identify themselves with the foreign policy line of Nehru. Strive to have the pro-peace positions of such leaders formally embodied in the resolutions and activities of the basic mass organizations of the Negro people.

2. All strata of the Negro people are severely critical of the positions of the US delegation in the UN and the generally reactionary stand of our government relative to the fight for independence of colonial and unfree peoples. Forms of mass expression of this criticism should be developed. Side by side with this, solidarity assistance to the people of South Africa and Kenya should be organized by Negro mass organizations and press as well as trade unions and other popular organizations.

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3. The historic Asian-African Conference in Bandung has stimulated an unprecedented interest in foreign affairs in Negro life. Many of the major Negro newspapers, and the National Negro Press Association, had representatives at Bandung. Every effort should be made to have Negro organizations and leaders declare their solidarity with the Bandung Declaration as a means of associating themselves with their fraternal world allies, the newly freed and still unfree anti-imperialist peoples of color.

4. In this connection, the role of Chou En-lai at the Bandung Conference, and the peaceful diplomatic initiative of the Chinese People's Republic following the Conference, has created favorable new opportunities for winning support for seating People's China in the UN and the withdrawal of US naval and military forces from China's waters and territory.

5. All the other urgent issues in the fight for peace--banning the A and H bombs, against the remilitarization of Germany, for a general settlement of differences in Europe flowing from the Big Four Conference, etc.--should also be brought directly to the Negro People's organizations on the basis that they represent the common need of all mankind, the need to live.

B. MASS POLICY

I. The primary organizations through which the aforementioned concentration issues should be given maximum development, are:

1. The established mass organizations of the Negro people, of joint Negro and white membership, of democratic-minded white people.

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a) Among the Negro people's organizations, the following should be the major areas of concentration: NAACP, the Elks, the affiliates of the National Baptist Convention, the affiliates of the National Baptist Convention, the affiliates of the AME Zion church. Among the women, the National Council of Negro Women and the Federation of Colored Women's Clubs. Among the youth NAACP youth councils, fraternities, sororities and others.

b) Within the general trade union movement, with special emphasis nationally on auto, packing and electrical; also, transport.

c) Among the democratic-minded predominantly white mass organizations and national group organizations, such as: churches affiliated with the National Council of churches of Christ, the American Jewish Congress, YWCA, etc.

2. The party and left wing press, committees and organizations.

a) The Daily Worker should give sustained attention to the concentration issues outlined above, in the form of timely reportage, editorial treatment and a steady stream of explanatory material.

b) left wing forces, committees and organizations with whom we have influence should focus on these issues and develop a variety of activities in support of those initiated by the broader sponsorship. (Separate memos on our approach to the role of the NNLC and the publication FREEDOM will follow.)

C. THE PARTY

Our objective is to move the Party organizations fully into the mass struggle for equal rights in conformity with the line of the Party program.

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This requires, first and foremost, that we speed up the process of the distribution of our Party cadre and members by assignment to the decisive mass organizations of labor, the Negro people and the democratic popular movements. In the field of Negro work this means specifically the organizations mentioned in I (la) above.

Further, the general leadership of the Party at all levels must give sustained, concrete attention and assistance to our forces in carrying out this mass policy in the field of Negro work.

Without establishing clarity on policy and on ideological and key tactical questions in this field our comrades will be unable to make their maximum contribution. Toward this end we urge all leading committees at each level of the Party organization, to guarantee an organized study and discussion of the following basic policy articles appearing in Political Affairs:

The Hastings-Mann article -- March, 1955
The Foster article -- May, 1955
The Stevens article -- May, 1955

We urge that the Subject of this Memo be placed for discussion at the forthcoming Board meeting of all State and Council Committees and at the next meeting of all those leading committees and staffs which receive it. The results of the discussions and decisions arrived at should be forwarded to the National Office promptly.

For the National Administrative Committee of the CPUSA

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-56579) (7-1)

FROM : JAMES E. REILLY, SA

SUBJECT: PHIL BART
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DATE: 6/28/55

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According to NY 693-S*, on 3/22/55, PHIL BART contacted one LINNIE at Esplanade 6-7892 and asked to speak with her mother. BART told the woman (believed to be CELIA LEVY) to say that he would pick up his ticket in the morning, if she received a call from the airplane company. He said he had given her telephone number to the airline, as he thought at the time that he might be able to come home early that night, but now found it impossible.

According to the informant later that same day BART was again in contact with CEIL to find out if there had been any call for him. When she replied in the negative BART told her that he would not be home and that she should forget about receiving any messages for him.

The number Esplanade 6-7892 is listed in the Brooklyn Telephone Directory to PHILIP LEVY, 1120 Avenue N, Bklyn.

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- 1 - NY 100-68895 (PHIL LEVY)(12-11)

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TO : SAC, New York (100-56579)(7-1)

FROM : SA JAMES E. REILLY

SUBJECT: PHIL BART
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DATE: 6/29/55

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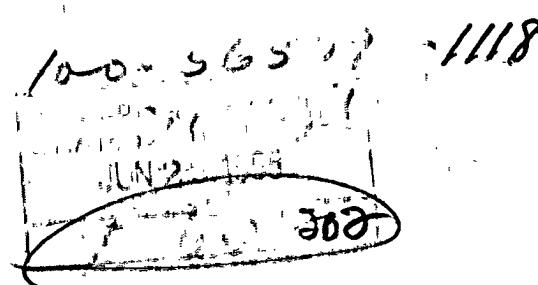
NY 693-S* advised that on 4/18/55, PHIL BART at CP Headquarters contacted AL BLUMBERG at the "Daily Worker" and asked him if he could come over to finish some business. AL indicated that he would be over promptly.

According to the informant, later that same day PHIL BART at CP headquarters contacted MAC GORDON at the "Worker" and told him that he and LEON WOFSY would be on their way over to the "Worker". MAC told him to make it as quickly as possible as they were all waiting.

According to NY 693-S* also on 4/18/55, JOE DERMER contacted DOROTHY (believed to be DOROTHY ROBINSON) at the "Daily Worker". He told her that a bundle which was supposed to have been sent to CP headquarters had not been received as yet. DOROTHY remarked to JOE that the postman must have been responsible as she said "The plate's okay". JOE stated that the State office did not get a bundle either and DOROTHY said that this makes her think all the more that the local postman must have been holding it up.

- 1 - NY 100-9984 (ALBERT BLUMBERG)(7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-21259 (MAC GORDON)(12-16)
- 1 - NY 100-54899 (LEON WOFSY)(12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-64499 (JOE DERMER)(12-11)
- 1 - NY 100-81771 (DOROTHY ROBINSON)(12-16)

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According to NY-693-S# on 4/4/55, LEM HARRIS contacted ELVA LANNON at CP Headquarters, and asked for PHIL BART for whom he said he had a message. ELVA said that PHIL was not available.

1 - NY 100-54012 (ELVA LANNON) #12-14
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) #7-1 ✓

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (97-169)(#7-2)

FROM : GUSTAV S. ABRANDT, SA

SUBJECT: PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS, INC.
IS-C

DATE: 6/29/55
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[redacted], who has furnished reliable information in the past, on June 10, 1955, furnished SA GUSTAV S. ABRANDT with report set out below, the original of which is filed as serial 303, of [redacted]. This information should be paraphrased if disseminated outside the Bureau in order to protect the informant.

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"Daily Worker

6/10/55

"The rumor in the office is that John Pittman will drive to the west coast in August to go with the 'Peoples World'. Bernard Burton is also rumored as planning to go to the west coast.

- 1 - Chicago (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
- 1 - Cleveland (GEORGE WATT)
- 1 - Detroit (CP, USA, DISTRICT #7) b7D
- 1 - NY [redacted] (P&C)
- 1 - NY 100-88368 (JOHN PITTMAN)(#12-16)
- 1 - NY 100-51175 (BERNARD BURTON)(#12-11)
- 1 - NY 100-101971 (ISIDORE JOFFE)(#12-10)
- 1 - NY 100-9984 (ALBERT BLUMBERG)(#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)(#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT)(#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-111939 (AUGUSTA STRONG)(#7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-81771 (DOROTHY ROBINSON)(#7-4)
- 1 - NY 100-89590 (CP-LABOR)(#12-14)

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"Isidore Joffe, the stock room man who died recently, has not been replaced.

"Albert Blumberg has resumed his daily work at the office.

"Phil Bart visited the D-W office on Thursday 6/9/55. His purpose could not be ascertained. Claude Lightfoot visited the office on either Tuesday or Wednesday. He stated he had permission to come to New York and was interested in the position the CP would take on the Ford settlement. He thought it was a good settlement, but stated the Michigan Communists thought it a bad settlement.

"George Watt was also at the office at the same time. Watt and Lightfoot evidently had something to with the editorial on the Ford settlement that appeared in the DW on the day following.

"Augusta Strong is still employed as a writer on the Sunday staff of 'The Worker.'

"Dorothy Robinson continues as office manager of the paper. Her working hours are from 9 AM to 5 PM or a little later. She tends to keep her nose to the grindstone and does not enter into discussions of CP or other matters. She drinks occasionally, but handles it well; occasionally frequenting "Smith's" bar at 13th Street and University Place, NYC. She is reputed to have children."

It is noted that the editorial described above appeared in the "Daily Worker" of 6/8/55, and that WATT and LIGHTFOOT would then have visited the "DW" office on Tuesday, 6/7/55.

SAC, Chicago

6/29/55

SAC, New York (100-56579)

PHIL BART
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NY 693-8*, who is in a position to furnish valid information, concerning activities at CP Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, disclosed that on 3/24/55, MAC (believed to be MAC GORDON) contacted PHIL BART in Chicago. The informant advised that MAC attempted to reach BART at Longdale 2-7454, but was informed that BART would not be there until supper time. MAC finally reached BART at Dearborn 2-7142. He said that in connection with the material he had been expecting, NELLIE (believed to be LEON NELSON) had seen a couple of individuals the previous night, one of whom he had thought that PHIL had been in contact with. MAC said that these two individuals claimed to know nothing about the matter. They asked PHIL if there was any way in which he could indicate with whom he had talked, but BART refused to discuss the matter over the phone. In answer to MAC's question BART replied that he would return to NY the next week.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the identity of the informant.

- 1 - NY 100-21259 (MAC GORDON) (12-16)
1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON) (7-5)

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100-56578-1121

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-12959) (7-1)

FROM : SA ROBERT M. POWELL

SUBJECT: CONSTANCE S. BART, was.
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DATE, 6/30/55

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On 6/29/55 a fisur was instituted at 7:00 A.M. on the residence of the subject's husband, PHIL BART, 120 Avenue N, Brooklyn, N.Y., by SAS [redacted] and ROBERT G. SWEENEY.

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At 10:00 A.M. PHIL BART left the residence and proceeded to the corner of Avenue N and 60th Street, where he boarded a Manhattan-bound subway train.

At 10:05 A.M. the subject left her residence and proceeded to the corner of Avenue N and 60th Street, where she boarded a bus which was headed South-west on 60th Street.

A surveillance was not instituted after her boarding of the bus.

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June 30, 1955

FBI, Chicago (100-18953)

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Director, FBI (100-3-69) AND SAC, NEW YORK (100-
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COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
ORGANIZATION
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Extreme care should be used in handling and reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CC 5824-3 orally advised SA CARL W. FREYMAN on 6/29/55 that in a discussion on the week-end of June 25 and 26, 1955 PHIL BART, who holds a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary, CP, furnished the following information:

The CP has scheduled ~~three~~ conferences for the open leaders of the party.

1. A National Conference to be held in New York August 2 and 3, 1955. This conference is to deal with the following matters: a. fight for the Bill of Rights and constitutional liberty, b. the fight against the Smith Act and c. the fight against the McCarran Act. A terrific CP campaign of propaganda consisting of telegrams, letters and other forms will be launched by this conference for the struggle of the legality of the CP in preparation for the ruling of the Supreme Court with respect to the McCarran Act particularly the membership section.

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2 - New York

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2. A National Conference to take place in October in New York. The conference will form the 1956 program of the CP in preparation for the national elections. The informant did not know the exact date of this conference.

3. A Midwest Conference will take place probably in August following the New York Conference to be held on August 2 and 3, 1955.

The informant advised that the National Conferences are of such magnitude in that they involve formulations of basic CP program that in his opinion the National Conferences cannot be held without submission of the tentative programs to be submitted at these conferences to the key national underground leadership for study and approval. The informant advised that no conferences of the nature of these two can be held without the consideration and approval of the programs by the national underground. He has no information as to when or by whom such contacts would be made but he has been alerted to obtain such information.

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FBI, CHICAGO (100-21222) JUNE 30, 1955

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-94)(RM) and SAC, NEW YORK (100-96985) *(RM)*

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA,
UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS

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Care should be used in handling the following information
in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally furnished the following info to SA CARL N. FREYMAN on 6/29/55. This info was obtained in a conversation on 6/26/55 with PHIL BART, who occupies a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary, CP. ART HAENDLE was also present during the discussion:

PHIL BART stated that the CP National Policy on Underground Operations is that since there is no present danger of Fascism in the US many of the CP people now in the underground must be brought out to give leadership to the Party. The only CP people who will remain in the underground are the "reserve" leadership.

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① 1- NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (RM)

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SAC, Newark (100-2974)

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SAC, New York (100-66211)

MARTHA STONE
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According to NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, on 6/20/55, MARTHA (believed to be MARTHA STONE) contacted PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) at CP Headquarters. She said she would be up around 150 th St., NY, all day. They agreed to meet around 5:30 PM at a restaurant near 145th St. and Broadway and MARTHA told PHIL that LEON WOFSY would be coming in to leave something for her. She requested that PHIL bring it along with him that night to give to her. The informant further advised that MARTHA and GEORGE (believed to be GEORGE WATT) agreed to meet around 9:00 AM the following day.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE)
- 1 - NY 100-54899 (LEON WOFSY) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT) (7-1)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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FBI, CHICAGO (100-2644) JULY 1, 1955

SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)(REGISTERED)

PHIL BART
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Care should be used in reporting the following information
in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA CARL N. FREYMAN on June 29, 1955, that PHIL BART, who holds a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party, furnished him the following information in conversations during the weekend of June 25, 26, 1955:

BART is scheduled to take a vacation in September. He expects to come to Chicago on his vacation with his wife, CONNIE.

BART expects to take a country-wide tour as soon as it can be arranged in order to take up problems of organization in the various Communist Party districts and to follow up on the national CP registration.

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2 - New York (REGISTERED)
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Newark (100-2974)
FROM : SAC, New York (100-6624)
SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE
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DATE: 7/5/55

Open Mail

NY 693-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, advised that on 3/23/55, MARTHA STONE at CP Headquarters contacted LEON (believed to be LEON WOFSY) concerning an undisclosed matter. MARTHA suggested to LEON that he meet with her that afternoon and bring it with him and they agreed to meet at 1:00 PM.

The informant further advised that later that same day JULIE (possibly JULIAN LOWITT) contacted MARTHA at CP Headquarters to find out if his appointment with GEORGE (believed to be GEORGE WATT) was off. MARTHA replied that as far as she knew GEORGE was going to meet him and asked if JULIE was at the right place. He indicated to her that he was at the "Y".

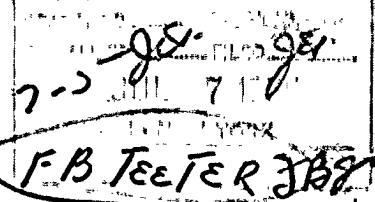
According to the informant, on that same day, BERNIE (believed to be BERNARD FRIEDLANDER) contacted MARTHA STONE at

Registered Mail

- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE) (Rm)
- 1 - Newark (100-) (RUTH FISHER) (Rm)
- 1 - Newark (100-) (JOE FISHER) (Rm)
- 1 - Newark (100-) (CHARLES NUSSER) (Rm)
- 1 - Chicago (100-) (MOLLY WEST) (Rm)
- 1 - Chicago (100-) (MORRIS CHILDS) (Rm)
- 1 - Detroit (100-) (SAUL WELLMAN) (Rm)
- 1 - NY 100-54899 (LEON WOFSY) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-80398 (JULIAN LOWITT) (12-11)
- 1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-22066 (BERNARD FRIEDLANDER) (7-6)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (71)
- 1 - NY 100-91735 (RAE WECHSLER) (12-16)
- 1 - NY 100-18671 (SAUL WELLMAN) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 97-169 ("DAILY WORKER") (7-2)

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Letter to Newark
NY 100-66211

CP Headquarters to ask her, in case she would be able to see him, to go to the floor below and take an envelope which he had forgotten from his box.

The informant further advised that on 3/23/55, MOLLY WEST contacted MARTHA STONE at CP Headquarters from Chicago. She inquired for PHIL BART and MARTHA told her that he had taken a 4:00 AM plane that day. MOLLY complained that they had not heard from him as yet. MARTHA advised her to check with the airport as she had left him at 11:30 and even if he missed his plane he should have been there by that time. According to the informant they then discussed subscriptions (possibly to the "Daily Worker" and MOLLY said that they had 1000. MARTHA then stated that she could see from the Daily that things were really moving.

The informant then advised that MARTHA spoke with MORRIS (believed to be MORRIS CHILDS) and told him that while a lot of people out his way had a lot of literary ability they ought to channelize it in a different way. She remarked that some of the things that made the front pages were not very good. He replied that they had looked into the matter and there was plenty on it, but they had to keep in mind another angle, namely that they kept the promises they made to "the guy" but he turned around and did something else. MORRIS told MARTHA that in case something happened she should get in touch with them to find out for sure, while all the other fellows were travelling. He asked that she contact them before anything got done, because they were right on top of that situation. She told him just to control the situation and complained that what had happened had repeated itself. He said he knew nothing about the latter circumstances.

According to NY 693-S*, also on 3/23/55, MARTHA STONE contacted a woman believed to be RAE WECHSLER at the home of GEORGE WATT and left a message that GEORGE should contact the office right away if he should come home or call home within the next two hours.

NY 693-S* continued by reporting that MARTHA STONE contacted RUTH (believed to be RUTH FISHER) at Market 3-6796 in

Letter to Newark
NY 100-66211

NJ. She asked RUTH if she had anything for her or if her "girl friend" had left her anything. MARTHA indicated she was talking about the one that had accompanied RUTH to MARTHA's house on the previous Saturday. RUTH replied that she had nothing for MARTHA. MARTHA asked RUTH how JOE (believed to be JOE FISHER) was and RUTH replied that he was away, but should return on Friday (presumably 3/25/55). MARTHA asked RUTH to obtain some data for her and RUTH replied that she thought someone was coming into see MARTHA the following day. MARTHA then said that she had asked SALLY (possibly SAUL WELLMAN) to take care of it, but that he could forget it now.

MARTHA then remarked that she had heard that "you guys are going to make it on the press" and added that she just had heard from MOLLY in Chicago where they had obtained six hundred subscriptions in three weeks and they also expected to make it. RUTH agreed that she thought they had a good chance.

According to NY 693-S*, on 3/25/55, MARTHA contacted CHARLIE (believed to be CHARLES NUSSER) at Bigelow 3-2931 in NJ. She asked CHARLIE if he thought it would be possible for the people to come into the house the following day, but he replied that it would be a pretty big house gathering, as he thought there would be around fourteen people. He asked her if she could not possibly make it, out to the meeting place and she replied that she would have difficulty the following day, but would see what she could do. She said she had some important news for him in connection with the matter on which they were meeting. She said that three of them had gone up to the home state of an undisclosed man to the place where he had had trouble. She remarked that he had brought two others along and that they had wanted lists and everything, but they did not receive a good reception. CHARLIE indicated that he understood what she was talking about.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-86)

July 5, 1955

SAC, CHICAGO (100-18209)

COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
SUBDIVISION - INDIANA DISTRICT
PAMPHLET AND PUBLICATIONS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Care should be used in reporting the following information
in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-C, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA CARL W. FREYMAN on June 29, 1955, that he had talked to PHIL BART, who holds a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party, over the weekend of June 25, 26, 1955, and BART furnished the following information regarding the "Daily Worker".

United States Government Examination
of "Daily Worker" re Taxes

Agents of the United States Treasury Department, Bureau of Internal Revenue, have been at the office of the "Daily Worker" for the months in connection with determining whether the "Daily Worker" is delinquent in tax payments. When the government representatives offered a settlement figure of about \$24,000, the Party had an excuse for raising the price of the paper and for abolishing commissions paid.

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4 - Chicago
(1 - A/134-46)
(1 - 100-7480) ("DAILY WORKER")
(1 - 100-980) (WILLIAM MNETT)
(1 - 100-18062) [REDACTED]

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DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS

Payment of Subsidies in
Lieu of Commissions

BART said the abolishment of commissions paid "Daily Worker" employees creates a question of how a "Daily Worker" office can remain operative in Chicago and a couple of people kept on the payroll.

The solution is a direct subsidy based on subscriptions in lieu of commissions. WILLIAM BENNETT in Chicago is paid \$150 per month on this basis.

The "Daily Worker" correspondent [redacted] as is true of other correspondents is paid directly by the "Daily Worker".

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CP Position Re Tax Assessment

BART stated the assessment of the Government for taxes might have been fought, but it was not because the "Daily Worker" does not want to be in a position where it would be necessary to produce any names.

The approach on the "Daily Worker" by the Party is that it will not shut down on its own, but there is a hope the Government will shut it down in order that the Party might capitalize on it as an infringement of the freedom of the press.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-56579) 7-1

FROM : SA JAMES E. REILLY

SUBJECT: PHIL BART
IS-C

DATE: 7/8/55

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According to NY 693-S* on 5/4/55, LEE (female) contacted PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) at CP headquarters to ask him where the place was at which she was supposed to meet NELLIE (believed to be LEON NELSON). PHIL remarked that it was on 26th St. (it is believed that this address refers to CP headquarters at 268 7th Ave., between 25th & 26th Streets.)

1 - NY (100-63755) (LEON NELSON) 7-5
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : S.A.C., New York (100-56579)

DATE: July 19, 1955

FROM : *CWB* | S.A.C., Detroit (100-44527)SUBJECT: PHIL BART
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
SHAW ACT OF 1940

On June 25, 1955, an anonymous source closely associated with the Subject was contacted by the Detroit Agents and the photograph is and negatives of the material obtained therefrom are being forwarded to the New York Office in view of the fact that the material does not appear to pertain directly to District 7. For the information of New York the following dissemination has been made of the duplicate set of photographs furnished to the Detroit Office by the Bureau:

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1. Photographs of notebook pages captioned "Organize and Maintain Southern (illegible) Connected to SAC" has been forwarded to the Charlotte Office with a copy of transmittal letter being furnished to New York (3 photographs).

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2. Photograph of notebook page captioned "MATTHEW KNOX - Birmingham" has been forwarded to the Birmingham Office with a copy of transmittal letter being furnished to New York (1 photograph).

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3. Photographs of 13 typewritten pages re PATRIOTIC LEAGUE have been forwarded to Denver with a letter of transmittal being submitted to the New York Office. (13 photographs)

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4. Photographs of "Memo on What We Need in Fund Drive from District" have been placed in Detroit file 100-13460, CP Funds. (3 photographs)

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5. Photograph of letter "To all Districts" dated June 15, 1955, from the National Organization Commission, has been placed in Detroit file 100-2050, CP-USA Organization. (1 photograph)

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6. Photographs captioned "Proposal on Farm Work for Party Organization in South" and "Program for Southern Farmers" have been placed in Detroit file 100-17219, CP Farm Latters. (3 photographs)

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Letter to SAC, New York

Re: PHIL BART
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
SMITH ACT OF 1940

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7. Photographs captioned "Current Concentration Mass Issues in the Field of Struggle for Equal Rights for the Negro People" have been placed in Detroit file 100-2817, CP Negro Matters (2 photographs). Instant document was photographed in full by other means and has been disseminated to the Director by Detroit letter dated June 28, 1955, under the caption "CP-USA NEGRO QUESTION."

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8. Both copies of photographs of handwritten notes, captioned "Last Year 25 in Shop; This Year 9 in Shop" and "Last Year 31 Members; This Year 24 Registered; Present Membership 23; What Happened to 8?" are being forwarded to the New York Office as the above information does not appear to pertain to District 7. (4 photographs)

No dissemination has been made by the Detroit Office of numbers f,5 and 6 of the above.

TRANSMIT TO New York OFFICE

Director, FBI (100-3284)

SAC, New York (100-56579)

PHILLIP BART, was
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Re SAC Letter 55-30, 4/12/55.

6/9/55

ROUTED SECURITY INFORMATION
ATTACHED. S
IN FILE OF COMMUNIST LEADS.
PLACE THIS THROUGH AND PULL OUTION ON
TOP SIDE OF ENVELOPE.

Succinct Resume of Case

JOHN LAUTNER, who has supplied reliable information in the past, advised that in 1930, PHIL BART was Organizational Secretary of the CP in Detroit. Subsequent to that time, he became Organizational Secretary of the CP in Cleveland. In the late 1930's and until 1941, BART was District Organizer and State Secretary of the CP in Indiana, (admissible).

The "Daily Worker" issue of 5/23/44, reported PHIL BART as having been elected an alternate member of the National Committee, CPA, (admissible).

HERMAN ERWIN THOMAS testified in May 1954, in the Philadelphia Smith Act Case, that in February, 1946, PHILLIP BART was District Organizer of the CPEPD, and continued in that position until December 1949, when the National Office, CP, USA, asked for his release from the CPEPD for work in the National Office, (admissible).

The "Daily Worker" issue of 3/23/50, page 5, column 1, reflects that BART was to take over the post of General Manager of the publication. This article further reflects that BART was active in the labor and Communist movement for over 25 years, and that he has held leading CP posts in Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and Eastern Pennsylvania, (admissible).

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who has supplied reliable information in the past, advised that in 1952, BART was active in the CP underground as a representative of the Nat'l Office, (admissible).

CG 5824-S, who has supplied reliable information in the past, advised that during the time BART was in the CP underground, he was Party Organizer for Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Missouri, Wisconsin, Texas, and the Rocky Mountain area. As of March 1955, BART was a member of the Nat'l Administrative Committee of the CP, (admissible). 2

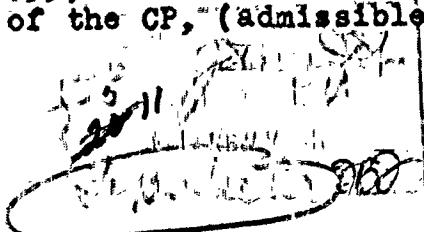
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DATE: 7-13-55

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BY: [Signature]



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Letter to Director
NY 100-56579

NY 694-S#, who is in a position to furnish valid information, advised that as of February 1955, BART was relieved of his CP underground assignment. He became Organizational Secretary and Treasurer of the CP, USA and was in charge of the CP Reserve Fund, (inadmissible).

NY 1475-S#, who is in a position to furnish valid information, advised that as of March 1955, BART was a member of the Nat'l Secretariat, CP, USA, (inadmissible).

Recommendation

Retain in SI.

Retention in SI is recommended in view of subject's activity in the CP Underground and his long years of service in important CP posts continuing to the present. It is noted that as of March 1955, BART was a member of the CP Nat'l Administrative Committee, and a member of the National Secretariat, CP, USA. This information has been supplied by reliable sources and sources in a position to furnish valid information.

Detcom Tabbing

1. Detcom

2. Subject has not been approved for Detcom tabbing under the new criteria in SAC Letter 55-12 (A), of 2/10/55. Security Index cards have not been received from the Bureau bearing the stamp "Detcom" in large red letters.

3. Retention of Detcom tabbing is recommended in view of subject's activity in a leadership capacity in the CP, USA, within the past year, as well as his CP underground activities. Subject is a Key Figure.

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FBI, CHICAGO (100-2644)

JULY 1, 1955

SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (REGISTERED)

PHIL BART
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Care should be used in reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CO 5824-C, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA CARL N. FREYMAN on June 29, 1955, that PHIL BART, who holds a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party, furnished him the following information in conversations during the weekend of June 25, 26, 1955:

BART is scheduled to take a vacation in September. He expects to come to Chicago on his vacation with his wife, CONNIE.

BART expects to take a country-wide tour as soon as it can be arranged in order to take up problems of organization in the various Communist Party districts and to follow up on the national CP registration.

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- 2 - New York (REGISTERED)
 { 1 - 100-134-46 (CONNIE BART)
 (1 - 100-80642) (CP - USA, ORGANIZATION)
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Director, FBI (100-3284)
SAC, New York (100-56579)

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PHILIP BART
IS-C; SMITH ACT OF 1940.

Re Supplemental Prosecutive Summary Reports of SA THOMAS F. CARRIG dated 4/14/55 and 6/24/55 at Philadelphia with leads for New York.

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Both T-86 and T-88 in referenced 6/24/55 report (NY 694-S and [redacted] should be carried as asterisked informants. Therefore, no further documentation is being submitted.

Likewise T-52, utilized in both referenced reports, is asterisked. This informant is CG 5824-S*.

2 - Philadelphia (100-22157) (RM)

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JOSEPH ROBERTS, IS - C; SMITH ACT OF 1940.

On 7/1/55 PH-79-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported to [redacted] contacted PHILIP BART at New York City and made an appointment to meet with BART and ALBERT E. BLUMBERG for dinner 7/6/55. [redacted] indicated he would arrive earlier than the dinner hour in order to take care of other matters.

The Informant also reported ALBERT E. BLUMBERG was in Philadelphia for one day only on 7/1/55 and was very interested in the outcome of the steel strike which began at midnight 6/30/55 and ended about 12 hours later.

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PH-83-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SE [redacted] 7/5/55, that [redacted] was going to New York City for a one day trip on 7/6/55 and could be reached in New York at telephone Watkins 4-6856. The above is for information.

New York attempt to verify [redacted] presence 7/6/55 and cover his activities through established sources.

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MEMO: DLI
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CC: PH 100-22157 (PHILIP BART)
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * * * * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18953)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
ORGANIZATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 7-7-55

Care should be used in reporting the following information
in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA CARL N. FREYMAN on June 28, 1955, that he had been furnished the following information by PHIL BART, who holds a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party, in a conversation on the weekend of June 25-26, 1955:

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(1 - 100-) (SAUL WELLMAN)
(1 - 100-) (HELEN WINTER)
(1 - 100-) (CP - USA, MEMBERSHIP)
(1 - 100-) (CARL WINTER)
(1 - 100-) (NAT GANLEY)
(1 - 100-) (FNU FELHALBER)

5 - New York (REGISTERED)
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(1 - 100-80641) (CP - USA, ORGANIZATION)
~~(1 - 100-56579) (PHIL BART)~~
(1 - 100-63755) (LEON NELSON)
(1 - 100-87221) (CP - USA, FACTIONALISM)

3 - Chicago
(1 - A/134-46) *extra*
(1 - 61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
(1 - 100-2748) (SAM KUSHNER)

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DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
ORGANIZATION

National Review Commission
Group in Detroit

BART stated that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, SAM KUSHNER, "NELLIE" (NELSON) and he had constituted a group sent to the Michigan District of the CP during the previous week by the National CP Office to examine that district.

General Estimate of Michigan District

BART said the Detroit Division is on the rocks politically and organizationally. Detroit people, including CARL WINTER, have been pursuing a leftist sectarian policy at variance with the CP national policy.

CP National Office - Political
Appraisal 1950 - 1951 Mistaken

The CP National Office assessed the political situation in the United States in 1950 - 1951 wrong. It said fascism had overcome the country and the group in jail would never come out; in addition the Government would lay hands on every Communist out of jail. National CP policy now says that was wrong, but this political mistake caused the dismantling of the Party organization. The liquidation of offices, the underground, and fractionalized membership detached too many people at large.

Detroit Continues Mistaken Policy

Now the CP national policy analysis is that while the CP recognized the mistake, steps are being taken to remedy the mistake. Detroit, however, continues on the mistaken policy. All the organization mistakes at Detroit are covered with the excuse of security.

The CP National Office does not accept this excuse. The Detroit leadership had put a portion of the WINTER thesis in writing. This thesis states that the Party, because reaction was upon it could not work in industrial areas in the open; therefore, the Party should go underground completely. Hence, if the CP National Office says the CP position is legal, it is giving aid and comfort to the enemy.

The result of all this was that the Party fell apart in Detroit.

The Party at Detroit rejects the united front concept, and the result is shown by the Detroit CP's denunciation of united front and of the UAW agreement with Ford. It charged WALTER REUTHER and STELLATO with selling out the workers at Ford.

DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
ORGANIZATION

The national leadership opposed this, taking the position that it is wrong for the CP to say REUTHER or STELLATO is a traitor.

Detroit Commissions and Committees

BART advised the informant that all Detroit commissions and committees are inoperative except on paper.

Detroit Membership - Conflict in Figures

PHIL BART was given 160 as the figure for membership by SAUL WELLMAN. He was given a figure of 260 by HELEN WINTER. BART commented Detroit is unable to furnish any accurate membership figure.

Decisions

Detroit agrees with the National Office decision concerning membership, which will begin operating in September.

A registration will begin when the "center" directs. Squads will be sent into Michigan to see how many members can be registered.

CARL WINTER cannot be held responsible for the Detroit situation since he has just been released from jail.

SAUL WELLMAN is held responsible for the registration.

The only word of praise was for NAT GANLEY, who follows the National line.

It now remains to decide how to set up a new leadership - to add to or replace the present Michigan leadership.

Estimate of SAUL WELLMAN

BART told the informant that every individual visited by the National Review Commission Committee disclosed WELLMAN as an incompetent person.

Leading CP Member at Ford Motor Company

BART advised the informant that an individual named (FNU) MOORE is the leading CP person at Ford Motor Company.

DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
ORGANIZATION

(FNU) FELHALBER

BART advised the informant that FELHALBER in the Detroit area is now operating a small television shop. He had been virtually read out of the Party by the Detroit leadership. BART visited him and he declared himself as being against the policy being pursued by the Detroit leadership.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM ***** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-69)
FROM : SAC, Detroit (100-2050)
SUBJECT: CP, USA ORGANIZATION
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DATE: July 11, 1955

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Set out below is the Informant's report pertaining
to the meeting of CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, PHIL BART.

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INFORMANT : [REDACTED] (who has furnished reliable information
in the past)

DATE OF ACTIVITY: [REDACTED]

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DATE RECEIVED : [REDACTED]

RECEIVED BY : SA J. CARTER BEESE (personally)

LOCATION : [REDACTED]

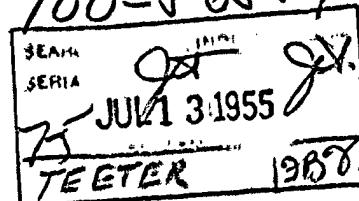
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CC: 2-Chicago (100-18953, CP, USA ORGANIZATION)(REGISTERED)
(61-867, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (REGISTERED)

2-New York (100-80641, CP, USA ORGANIZATION)(REGISTERED)
(100-56579, PHIL BART)(REGISTERED)

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[REDACTED]
100-3348 (NAACP)
100-807 (BILLY ALLAN)
100-13265 (HEYWARD MABEN)
100-12684 (JIMMY WALKER)

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Extreme care and careful paraphrasing should be used in the event it is necessary to disseminate any of the following information in view of the fact that [redacted] has been given Underground assignments in the past and also because of the size and nature of the reported meeting.

On [redacted] identified the individual referred to as Comrade PHIL in his report as PHIL BART after viewing a group of photographs.

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The Informant's report is set out verbatim as follows:

"Thursday [redacted]

"Received a note from [redacted] stating that some one is in town and wants to meet all club chairmans on orgainizational problems at his house on Newton St, Thursday [redacted] at 8 P.M. The people that were in town was Claude Lightfoot and a white man name Phil who is about 55 to 60 years old, slightly ball in front about 5'9" tall, very keen nose and seemed to talk with a foreign accent.

"Claude Lightfoot - First I may say I am very glad that Comrade Phil and I can be here tonight to meet with you. What we would like to do is to get each one of your view points on how the party is operating in Detroit and see if we can't take a few notes and go back with the idea of reorganizing our Party and get it going as to what it should be. If you have any problems in organizing we want to hear them. We are here from the National Office of our Party so feel freely to speak your mind. How are your clubs meeting and what are they doing.

[redacted] - [redacted] and in the club we usually [redacted] and [redacted] if there are any on. We meet every 2 weeks from one place to another. We have 5 in our club.

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"Claude Lightfoot - That's a very good agenda but I would like to know in this area where the clubs are meeting what does the neighborhood primarily consist of. What I mean are there Fraternal groups, many churches, factions and etc. in this area. How many clubs in this area.

[redacted] - In the area where our clubs are we are supposed to have 4 clubs functioning and the area takes in from the River to about here where we are and from Woodward to Field Ave. Now in this area we have many churches, many Faternal orders, and quite a few factories and in this area we have mostly negroes who live there.

"Our club members all have joined N.A.C.P. and we are to paticipate in N.A.A.C.P. affairs. This club is to work in a mass organization and the Party choose N.A.A.C.P. We were to go into it just as members of N.A.A.C.P. and down the line we would try and influence some of its members.

"Phil - How could a good Communist work in N.A.A.C.P.? What I mean by that is if you are a Communist and join N.A.A.C.P. what kind of a job would you do as a Communist since some of their ideas are contrary to ours.

[redacted] - That's a question I would like for you to answer.

"Phil - Well I will attempt to do so. You see or know what kind of leadership they have, you should be able to see to it that some Progressive minded people are put at the head of some the functionaries of N.A.A.C.P.

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"In meeting with people who are members you can influence them to demand certain things. Once these Progressive people are placed they have a chance of selecting people to work with. This is just a thought to bear in mind.

[redacted] - We have a member of our club who has been working with the youth in N.A.A.C.P. and held an office.

"Phil - That's just what I am talking about.

"Claude Lightfoot - I would like to know just how do you keep your dues?

[redacted] - I have been in charge of that and we don't keep a record. I suggested that each member keep up with his or her dues in their mind.

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"Claude Lightfoot - That is a very sloppy way of doing it when we were supposed to be using a score card and initial it when one pays their dues.

[redacted] - The person that I turn the dues over to keeps a score card that you are speaking about.

"Claude Lightfoot - In these clubs how many people do we have and how do they meet.

[redacted] - Up until a few weeks ago [redacted]
[redacted] and I would roughly say 16 that has re_registered. Now in my club we have 5 people and one of them is the head of LYL in Mich. and we meet in all the clubs in group of 4 and 5 and out of the clubs only 2 seems to be meeting excluding the Greeks I can't say much about them.

"Claude Lightfoot - You mean to say that in this big conceration area only a hand ful are meeting with they club. We must look into this. You mentioned the Section let us hear about it.

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[redacted] - 3 people composed of the Section,
[redacted] For a while we 3 was meeting and later on only [redacted] so we just quit meeting since [redacted] are in the same club it was no sence of [redacted] meting.
We went getting anywhere. [redacted]
[redacted] in a club and met with several other organizations.

"Claude Lightfoot - You was in so many things it was hard for you to do a job in in of them well. I can see we must make a lot of changes

"Phil - You tell me the East Side had a Region, a Section and Etc.

[redacted] - Yes that is true.

[redacted] In our club we only have Negroes to meet with us this I could never understand

"Claude Lightfoot - You mean to say in a club where Negroes are only Negroes meet and no whites meet with you. Phil please take note of that for that is something new to me. It should never be like that. This is the first of my knowing about this in any area that I have been in. Something has really been wrong in our leadership in the Party. In Chicago it is all together different.

[redacted] in the [redacted] and another fellow is in the [redacted] We have been meeting regularly only 3 of us the other fellow will pay dues but never gets around to meeting with us. We have our meeting and draw up the same agenda as the other clubs do and also go out on leaflet distribution quite often. Our Party has lost some of its good workers, seemingly they have not been interested in them. Some have left the Party on account of being afraid they would lose their jobs and some on other things.

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"We have discussed several times why our Paper doesn't have a Negro writing a column. Let me make it plain. Billy Allen has done a good job with the paper, yet he can't get all the news about Negroes as he should. If we had a Negro working on it they could get a lot of information that Billy could not get for they are in Negro Communities daily.

"Another thing our Party has shown to much white chauvanism toward the Negroes that are in the Party. Unless you Mr. so and so wife or husband none of our white comrades invite Negroes to come over to their houses.

"This kind of a thing must stop if we want to build our Party. I have worked in the Party in Alabama where you had to work under very severe conditions and it wasn't like this. I have been in clubs where when people were transferred they eventually dropped out of the Party.

[redacted] - Let me say something on that. At one time Nat Turner was one of the best clubs in the city and as [redacted] stated we had some good workers in the club and they were transferred to shop clubs. Mind you in the club they left they were good workers and the minute they were transferred they just didn't do anything and eventually we lost the biggest majority of them.

"Claude Lightfoot - As I recall in the Detroit area Fords was to be our first conceration, and lower East Side our second concentration. These men that was transferred was to go there to do a job, yet they never completed their job. I am glad to know about all of these things and I can assure you something will be done about them.

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[redacted] - I am in the club with [redacted]
[redacted] and the Party had me to join [redacted]. It is not to much information that the [redacted] discuss at their meeting they mostly go by books and have a discussion around them. I belong to so many organizations in the Party that my time is very limited to really do a good job. I have meetings to attend almost every night in the week and that is to much.

"Our Party has lost some good men as was said before. I don't know whether it is due to the lack of leadership or not. For instance Hayward Maben the barber a good Party worker who today is not doing what he should be [redacted] who has been away from us, but I hear she is coming back to us. We had another fellow whom we could always call upon Jimmy Walker until he became tied up in a Union affair. I could go on naming quite a few. For us to build the Party we need more help than we have been getting. I believe a few of us is having to much put upon us to do a good job. We had a fellow who was getting out a large number of Papers each week who had to stop doing that on account of him. bring in the numbers although he participates in a club.

"Claude Lightfoot - This number man could learn us something on underground work. Comrades I have enjoyed listening to each of you speak your opinion and I can assure you we are going to take these things back to the National office and at a latter date we are coming back to Detroit and get some of them straightened out. I can also assure you no time will be wasted in doing so.

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"We have met with the head of L.Y.L. - N.N.L.C. and heads of other Party Functionaries and we will meet with more before we leave. So look for us back real soon in this reorganization plan.

"Phil - I speak the same as Com. Claude so what few we have lets try and get more people in our Party and do a good job on building one of the worlds fastest growing parties on earth. We hope to see each of you in the near future with new ideas.

[redacted] - I would like for you to look into something else you might jot this down. Are the Negro people loosing interest in the Party. I say that to say this at the last affairs that I have attended you could count the Negro people that was there on your hand. See just what the cause of this is.

"Claude Lightfoot - That's a very good question that we will bring to light I hope in the near future.

"P.S - Meeting lasted from 8 P.M. until 11:25 and [redacted]
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[redacted] has been inserted in the above in each instance where the Informant was talking or was referred to.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-69266) DATE: 7/11/55
FROM : SAC, New York (100-19377) (#7-2)
SUBJECT: COUNCIL ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS
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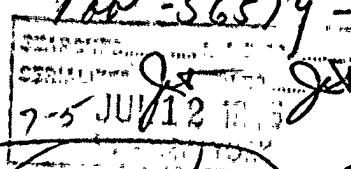
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Letter to Director
NY 100-19377

On 6/6/55, [redacted] orally advised SAs BRYAN JINNETT of Newark and RICHARD H. BLASSEI of the NYO of the following:

On [redacted] who has been active in [redacted] of the Council on African Affairs (COA) [redacted].

[redacted] according to the informant, is presently associated with the COA.

The COA is in very bad financial condition. The COA has no office secretary and does not function as an organization.

PAUL ROBESON wants [redacted] in the COA office.

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The COA is not doing anything as an organization except to issue a statement now and then.

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Letter to Director
NY 100-19377

[redacted]
[redacted]
the COI "drags, is comatose, but kicks to life now and then to use its name to sponsor a meeting.

[redacted] who attended the recent Bandung Conference as a reporter for the "DW," is scheduled to give an eyewitness account of the Conference soon. [redacted] [redacted] the COI will lend its name to sponsor the meeting which will be held in Harlem.

[redacted]
PAUL ROBESON is striving to have his passport restriction lifted. ROBESON has an offer to play the role of "Othello" in England, but is unable to accept the offer because he is unable to travel. ROBESON also has an offer to act in a filmed production of "Othello" in East Germany. ROBESON also has other offers from Europe which he cannot fulfil because of his passport restriction. ROBESON's time these days, therefore, is spent in attempting to have his passport restriction lifted.

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Informant advised [redacted]

[redacted] of the paper "Freedom."

PAUL ROBESON is Chairman of the Board that publishes the paper "Freedom."

[redacted] appears to be a [redacted] of some sort in the COI but is not employed full time.

PAUL ROBESON is Chairman of the COI.

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The PP has been quietly dissolved and no statement of dissolution was issued nor was any statement issued reflecting a decision to give up the PP. The national office of the PP is closed and the furniture has been disposed of. Technically, the PP exists, but there are no offices. All matters are now referred to the ALP and the ALP will fall heir to all offshoots of the PP that are left.

Informant advised that in all probability a phone call to the PP office would be referred to the ALP which further indicates the dissolution of the PP.

[redacted] according to [redacted]
is doing nothing at present.

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During the past month or so, there has been developing a sharpness, even an animosity between the PP and CP.

JOHN MC MANUS of the "National Guardian," for example, and a certain group in the PP, have privately charged that the CP "has knifed the PP." MC MANUS and several others on the "National Guardian" feel the PP did have a future and was not passe. These people feel that when the CP pulled the rug out from under the PP, the PP "was knifed" and necessarily had to die.

These charges have appeared in public print in a gentle fashion. MC MANUS and several of his associates with the "National Guardian" wrote an extensive article which was circulated and certain portions published along the lines that the US needs an independent third party. The essence of the article was that MC MANUS and several others with the "National Guardian" agree there is a need for a third party and the radicals should get it going.

This article appeared at a time when certain liberals were pondering this question of a third party and it enraged the CP leadership as the CP felt the article "muddied the waters and a wrong course was being steered." The CP feeling that prevailed was "How dare the

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liberals give leadership to the progressive movement as this is a CP job?" It follows, therefore, according to the informant, that the CP, having buried the PP, is not in favor of a third party but rather desires the infiltration of the two major existing parties, namely, the Republican and Democratic Parties, in order to secure a toehold in these parties from the rank and file up.

The attitude of the CP towards the PP was that it was a mistake and that "their generals ran far ahead of their army, the people."

Informant advised the policy of MC MINUS, therefore, came into conflict with the CP.

Informant stated he believed he recalled that the April, 1955, issue of "Political Affairs" carried an extensive article attacking MC MINUS, his line and his ideas. This article actually was written to inform Communists not to follow MC MINUS and his line.

Informant advised that in the CP there are rumors to the effect that the "National Guardian" is untrustworthy as a progressive paper and that MC MINUS has surrounded himself with Trotskyites. According to the informant, there is also a rumor in the party that it may be expected the "National Guardian" will go bad as far as the CP is concerned.

It would appear, according to the informant, that MC MINUS has lost the first round in his argument even in his own camp because of the following:

1. The PP offices have been closed.

2. In the last issue of the "National Guardian" a policy statement was published by the paper which agreed generally that this is not the time for a third party. An editor's note which followed the article stated that MC MINUS voted against the statement which appeared in the "National Guardian." The article then went on to outline the line of MC MINUS in this matter.

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Informant advised [redacted]
[redacted]

Informant advised the CP will keep close watch on the "National Guardian" to see which way it goes and that it would appear that unless things change, the CP will openly attack the "National Guardian" and it, too, will fold.

[redacted] as far as the informant knows, is not doing much particularly at the present time.

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On [redacted] told the informant that [redacted] who has been active in CP farm activity, recently traveled by plane to Mexico where he went to see a number of people in different fields. Informant ascertained that [redacted] had been gone about two weeks.

[redacted] concerning the farm question, told the informant that nothing is being done concerning party farm activity and that PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee, is evasive as to future activity in this field. BART told [redacted] that nothing is being done in this field because a ruling from the court on his case and that of [redacted] was being awaited because a whole field of work would be determined by this ruling.

[redacted] ascertained from BART that quite a bit of work is being held up to see how various individuals should function in the future, depending upon the ruling of the Supreme Court on those persons who had invoked the 5th Amendment when appearing as witnesses before various committees.

Informant advised that [redacted] BART that the CP is not ready to do anything on the farm front and BART indicated [redacted] "things are all messed up."

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[redacted] would seek activity in the party elsewhere if things in the farm front continued as they are.

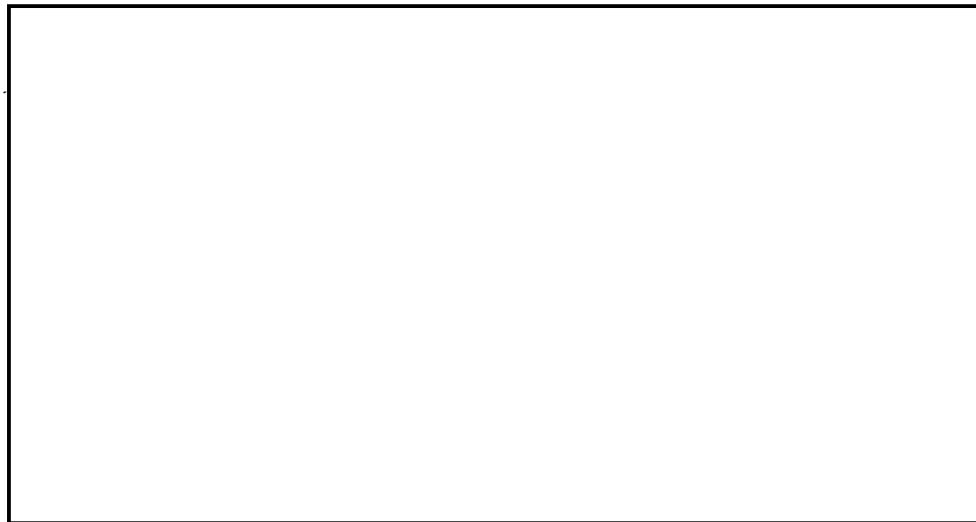
[redacted] ascertain from BMT whey he did not keep an appointment with [redacted] [redacted] and to ask BMT if there is actually a National Farm Commission.

As a result of this statement to [redacted] subsequently received an undated letter postmarked Brooklyn, New York, [redacted].

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[redacted]
[redacted]. A copy of the contents of the letter the informant received [redacted] is set out below and it is recommended that if any of the following information set out in [redacted] letter is used in a report it be very carefully paraphrased in order not to compromise the informant.
The letter follows:

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[redacted]
Informant advised that reference by [redacted] in his
letter to the [redacted]

Informant advised he would [redacted]
[redacted]

Informant advised ISIDORE WOFSY and ANDY REMES
are used by the National Administrative Committee of the
CP to run errands.

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If any of the above information which has been
furnished by [redacted] is used in a report or disseminated
outside the Bureau, it must be very carefully paraphrased
in order not to compromise the informant.

[redacted] letter to the informant is maintained as
Exhibit #LA 17, NY [redacted]

OFFICE MEMORANDUM ***** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Chicago (100-18953)

DATE: July 11, 1955

FROM : SAC, Detroit (100-2050)

SUBJECT: CP, USA ORGANIZATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

The following is a review of the known activities of CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, National Communist Party functionary; SAM KUSHNER, District 8 CP funtionary; PHIL BART, National CP functionary; person tentatively identified as LEON NELSON, New York CP functionary; JOSIP FARBER, missing New York CP functionary; EARL DURHAM, National Midwest Co-ordinator of the Labor Youth League; JULIAN LOWITT, former National LYL functionary and Detroit CP functionaries from the PM of June 20 to the PM of June 25, 1955.

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(100-2748 (SAM KUSHNER) (REGISTERED)
(100-12890 (EARL DURHAM) (REGISTERED)
1-Cleveland (100-16795 (ABE STRAUSS) (REGISTERED)
5-New York (100-80641 (CP, USA ORGANIZATION)(REGISTERED)
(100-56579 (PHIL BART)(REGISTERED)
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Set out below will be a detailed review of the surveillance logs for the above mentioned period.

June 20, 1955
9:45 PM

Fixed fisur instituted on the residence of SAUL WELLMAN, convicted Detroit Smith Act Subject, who resides at 3000 Clairmount.

The following vehicles were observed in the immediate area of the above residence at that time:

1947 Black Ford, 1955 Michigan license EB 12-93, which is registered to BOLZA BAXTER, Michigan Chairman of the Labor Youth League.

1953 Black Chevrolet, 1955 Illinois license 1145-829, which was later determined to be used by EARL DURHAM and JULIAN LOWITT.

10:40 PM

PEGGY WELLMAN returned to her residence. She is the wife of SAUL WELLMAN and active in District 7.

11:50 PM

Two male individuals were discharged from a taxi cab in front of the WELLMAN residence. Both of these individuals were carrying suitcases and entered the WELLMAN residence. These individuals were later identified as LIGHTFOOT and KUSHNER.

June 21, 1955
12:00 AM

PEGGY WELLMAN and HELEN WINTER, convicted Detroit Smith Act Subject and wife of CARL WINTER, departed the WELLMAN residence.

12:05 AM

BOLZA BAXTER and an individual tentatively identified as SAM KUSHNER departed from the WELLMAN residence and entered BAXTER's vehicle.

12:14 AM

NAT GANLEY, convicted Detroit Smith Act Subject, dropped off an unidentified male individual at the WELLMAN residence and departed from the area. This individual could possibly have been LEON NELSON.

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12:20 AM

PEGGY WELLMAN returned to her residence alone.

12:35 AM

Male individual believed to be EARL DURHAM departed the WELLMAN residence and entered above mentioned 1953 Black Chevrolet.

12:36 AM

A second male individual departed the WELLMAN residence and joined the individual in the above mentioned Chevrolet. These two individuals were later identified as LOWITT and DURHAM.

1:45 AM

There appeared to be four male individuals and one female individual preparing to retire for the night.

2:25 AM

The lights in the WELLMAN residence were turned out.

8:05 AM

SAUL WELLMAN [redacted] departed the area in WELLMAN's vehicle. [redacted] was carrying school books.

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8:15 AM

Fixed fisur was set up on residence at 3267 Pingree where JULIAN LOWITT was observed entering at 12:56 AM.

8:27 AM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence alone.

8:40 AM

EARL DURHAM entered 3267 Pingree alone. He arrived in the above mentioned 1953 Black Chevrolet bearing Illinois license.

8:42 AM

[redacted] SAUL WELLMAN, departed the WELLMAN residence carrying school books.

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9:16 AM

COLEMAN YOUNG, National Executive Secretary of the NNLC, entered the WELLMAN residence.

9:30 AM

EARL DURHAM and JULIAN LOWITT departed 3267 Pingree, placing clothes and suitcases in the trunk of the above mentioned 1953 Chevrolet and departed the area.

9:30 AM

American Airlines Flight 607 was announced at Willow Run Airport and an individual identified as PHIL BART entered the terminal from this flight. BART was wearing a dark blue suit and no hat. He was greeted by a white male, age 30 to 35, approximately 5'11", 190 pounds, who had a very erect carriage. The individual greeting BART wore no hat, had heavy, close-cropped dark brown hair and wore a light blue-grey cord coat and oxford grey slacks. This individual's identity is not known.

9:40 AM

SAUL WELLMAN departed his residence alone.

9:48 AM

SAUL GROSSMAN, Executive Secretary of the Michigan Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, picked up PEGGY WELLMAN in his vehicle and departed the area.

9:49 AM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence alone.

9:50 AM

PHIL BART and above mentioned unidentified individual greeted a lone male, white, coming from the flight line of American Airlines Flight 133 and 273 which had just arrived at Willow Run Airport. This second unidentified individual is described as 5'9", 170 pounds, giving a somewhat bulky appearance, light, ruddy complexion, 40 to 45 years of age, wearing a blue suit and straw hat.

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10:00 AM

PHIL BART and the two unidentified individuals departed the terminal and in the interest of security no immediate fisur was conducted.

10:20 AM

Individual identified as JOSIP FARBER entered the WELLMAN residence walking from the West carrying a large suitcase (two-suiter, tan). FARBER was wearing a light blue-grey cord suit, light tan straw hat and is described as male, white, approximately 45 years of age, 5'7", 160 pounds, black hair with crew cut.

10:50 AM

NAT GANLEY arrived at the WELLMAN residence walking from the West.

11:05 AM

Discreet fisur on 1953 Chevrolet bearing 1955 Illinois license 1145-829 was discontinued as individuals were identified and apparently on their way to Chicago, Illinois.

11:26 AM

[redacted] arrived at the WELLMAN residence in her vehicle and SAUL WELLMAN came out of his residence and talked to her at the curb. [redacted] PHIL SCHATZ, convicted Detroit Smith Act Subject.

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[redacted] drove off and SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence.

11:32 AM

SAUL WELLMAN departed his residence carrying a briefcase which he locked in the trunk of his vehicle and drove off.

11:35 AM

COLEMAN YOUNG departed the WELLMAN residence and walked out of sight.

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11:40 AM

COLEMAN YOUNG returned to the WELLMAN residence carrying a small paper sack (the size of which would contain possibly two hamburgers) entered the WELLMAN residence for an instant and returned to the street.

11:45 AM

COLEMAN YOUNG was observed parking his vehicle and entering the NNLC offices.

1:00 PM

SAUL WELLMAN's vehicle was located parked in front of the residence of HELEN and CARL WINTER, 9556 Burnette.

1:02 PM

SAUL WELLMAN and CARL WINTER were observed inspecting a blue, 1948 Ford coupe bearing 1955 Michigan plates AB 99-30, which was parked in front of the WINTER residence. Instant plates are registered to JAMES H. STAHL, 19913 Southfield, Detroit.

1:20 PM

SAUL WELLMAN was observed driving out of the WINTER residence area alone.

1:32 PM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence alone and carried his above mentioned briefcase back into his residence.

2:02 PM

NAT GANLEY departed the WELLMAN residence alone.

3:40 PM

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and JOSIP FARBER departed the WELLMAN residence and walked East on Clairmount and appeared to be deeply engrossed in conversation.

3:55 PM

LIGHTFOOT and FARBER were observed walking East on Chicago Boulevard.

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4:00 PM

LIGHTFOOT and FARBER were observed walking South on Linwood. During times LIGHTFOOT and FARBER were observed they appeared to be in deep conversation.

4:11 PM

[redacted] returned home from school.

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4:28 PM

SAUL [redacted] SAM KUSHNER and person tentatively identified as LEON NELSON departed the WELLMAN residence. KUSHNER and NELSON walked East on Clairmount. SAUL WELLMAN entered his vehicle and drove off and [redacted] departed on his bicycle to start his paper route.

4:30 PM

KUSHNER and NELSON were observed walking South on Linwood.

4:34 PM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence carrying a bag of groceries.

4:37 PM

SAUL WELLMAN departed his residence alone.

4:40 PM

JOSIP FARBER was observed walking East on Joy Road alone.

4:45 PM

FARBER entered the WELLMAN residence walking from the East.

4:47 PM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence carrying a large bag of groceries.

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5:32 PM

KUSHNER and NELSON returned to the WELLMAN residence walking from the East.

5:42 PM

PHIL BART departed the WELLMAN residence walking to the East.

It is to be noted that BART was not observed to enter the WELLMAN residence.

5:59 PM

PHIL BART returned to the WELLMAN residence.

7:12 PM

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT returned to the WELLMAN residence.

7:55 PM

Individual later identified as NAT GANLEY entered the WELLMAN residence.

8:05 PM

BILLY ALLAN, convicted Detroit Smith Act Subject, and COLEMAN YOUNG entered the WELLMAN residence.

8:25 PM

TOMMY DENNIS, convicted Detroit Smith Act Subject, entered the WELLMAN residence.

9:35 PM

COLEMAN YOUNG departed the WELLMAN residence.

9:55 PM

Individual later identified as PHIL SCHATZ entered the WELLMAN residence walking from the East.

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TOMMY DENNIS departed the WELLMAN residence alone and departed the area
1:20 AM

BILLY ALLAN departed the WELLMAN residence alone.

1:33 AM

NAT GANLEY and an individual believed to be PHIL BART were observed
departing the WELLMAN residence and last observed within one block
of the GANLEY residence.

1:35 AM

Two unidentified individuals departed the WELLMAN residence, one of
whom was possibly LEON NELSON.

1:37 AM

PHIL SCHATZ and SAM KUSHNER were observed departing the WELLMAN
residence and after stopping at a neighborhood restaurant were
observed entering the general area of the SCHATZ residence at
2:20 AM.

8:35 AM

[redacted] departed her residence with her school books.

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9:50 AM

SAUL and PEGGY WELLMAN departed their residence.

9:52 AM

JOSIP FARBER was observed departing the WELLMAN residence and
walking East on Clairmount.

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9:58 AM

SAUL WELLMAN and JOSIP FARBER, in WELLMAN's vehicle, arrived at the residence of PHIL SCHATZ, 2509 Taylor.

10:15 AM

WELLMAN and FARBER returned to the WELLMAN residence.

10:53 AM

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, JOSIP FARBER and SAUL WELLMAN departed the WELLMAN residence in WELLMAN's vehicle.

11:07 AM

SAUL WELLMAN was observed driving North on Wildemere alone in his vehicle..

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11:30 AM

[redacted] and another teenage male departed the WELLMAN residence.

12:03 PM

WELLMAN's vehicle was observed parked in front of the residence of CARL and HELEN WINTER.

12:25 PM

WELLMAN and FARBER, in WELLMAN's vehicle, departed the WINTER residence

12:33 PM

WELLMAN and FARBER entered the WELLMAN residence.

12:43 PM

WELLMAN and FARBER departed the WELLMAN residence.

12:50 PM

WELLMAN and FARBER were observed sitting on a park bench located in Nardin Park.

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SID LINN, District 7 CP member, according to [redacted] and possibly implicated in underground operations, entered the WINTER residence.

2:15 PM

LINN departed the WINTER residence.

2:30 PM

SAUL WELLMAN and FARBER departed Nardin Park and proceeded to the WINTER residence where WELLMAN dropped FARBER off and departed the area.

2:55 PM

SAUL WELLMAN's vehicle was observed parked in front of CP Headquarters, 2419 Grand River, Detroit.

3:23 PM

FAYE GROSSMAN, wife of SAUL GROSSMAN, departed the WINTER residence.

3:25 PM

[redacted] returned home from school.

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3:50 PM

HELEN WINTER, FARBER and an individual believed to be PAUL BROOKS, District 7 CP member, were observed sitting on the front porch of the WINTER residence.

4:47 PM

[redacted] returned to his residence.

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4:48 PM

BART and individual believed to be KUSHNER entered the WINTER residence.

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5:00 PM

[redacted] departed his residence for his paper route.

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5:08 PM

BART and above individual believed to be KUSHNER departed the WINTER residence together.

5:35 PM

SAUL WELLMAN departed his residence carrying an empty case of beer.

6:03 PM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence carrying a large bag of groceries

7:59 PM

RAY HASKELL, District 7 CP member, JOSIP FARBER and HORTENSE WAGONKNECHT, HELEN WINTER's mother and charter member of the CP, departed the WINTER residence and proceeded to the SCHATZ residence.

8:12 PM

FARBER departed the SCHATZ residence and proceeded on foot to the WELLMAN residence.

8:34 PM

SAUL, PEGGY and [redacted] departed their residence.

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8:40 PM

[redacted] for SAUL WELLMAN when WELLMAN was operating in District 7 Underground, entered the WELLMAN residence.

8:52 PM

[redacted] and FARBER departed the WELLMAN residence, FARBER carrying a small canvas overnight bag and wearing a suit, proceeded to the West on foot.

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8:55 PM

[redacted] returned to his residence.

9:10 PM

SAUL and [redacted] returned to their residence.

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9:58 PM

SAUL, [redacted] and [redacted] departed the area in WELLMAN's vehicle.

10:22 PM

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT returned to the WELLMAN residence and being unable to enter walked up and down the street until PEGGY WELLMAN returned home.

10:43 PM

PEGGY WELLMAN was dropped at her residence by a two-tone blue 1950 or 1951 Plymouth hardtop, last two digits on license plates believed to be 36 (this car appeared to be identical with the car driven by PHIL HALPER or one very similar).

10:44 PM

SAUL, [redacted] returned home and drove the car into the driveway between the houses.

10:55 PM

SAUL WELLMAN drove his vehicle to the street where he parked it and entered his residence.

11:05 PM

MAX CHAIT, District 7 CP member, entered the WELLMAN residence.

11:08 PM

1952 Oldsmobile parked in front of residence and a male entered the WELLMAN residence.

It was later determined that instant Oldsmobile bore 1955 Ohio license CA 565, which was determined to be registered to SYLVIA STRAUSS. The above individual entering the WELLMAN residence fit the general description of ABE STRAUSS.

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11:40 PM

[redacted] vehicle was observed parked at his residence, however FARBER was not observed.

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MAX CHAIT and ABE STRAUSS departed the WELLMAN residence and after a short conversation on the sidewalk, enter their respective vehicles. ABE STRAUSS was discreetly fisured to the residence of [redacted]

[redacted] reported in January, 1955 that [redacted] is one of the top CP leaders in District 7.

12:20 AM

The lights at the WELLMAN residence were extinguished.

8:12 AM

SAM KUSHNER entered the WELLMAN residence walking from the East.

8:26 AM

KUSHNER and WELLMAN departed the WELLMAN residence together.

8:40 AM

WELLMAN returned to his residence alone and picked up [redacted]

8:50 AM

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SAUL [redacted] were observed walking from the East and entered their residence.

9:50 AM

SAUL WELLMAN observed departing his residence and walked to the East on Clairmount.

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9:53 AM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence in his vehicle and was joined by PEGGY WELLMAN. They then departed the area.

10:15 AM

NAT GANLEY and PHIL BART were observed entering the WELLMAN residence.

10:25 AM

KUSHNER was observed in a drug store located at Linwood and Clairmount and he appeared to be alone.

10:32 AM

NAT GANLEY and LIGHTFOOT departed the WELLMAN residence and proceeded to the WINTER residence.

11:00 AM

PHIL BART was observed standing on the WELLMAN porch apparently waiting for someone.

11:01 AM

NAT GANLEY departed the WINTER residence and proceeded to the WELLMAN residence where he picked up BART.

12:00 PM

FARBER entered the WELLMAN residence walking from the East.

12:30 PM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence with [redacted]

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2:00 PM

SAUL WELLMAN departed his residence and area alone.

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2:11 PM

COLEMAN YOUNG and LIGHTFOOT were observed departing the area of the WINTER residence.

3:10 PM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence.

3:33 PM

JOSIP FARBER departed the WELLMAN residence and proceeded to the downtown area via the DSR.

4:00 PM

KUSHNER entered the WELLMAN residence.

4:07 PM

WELLMAN and KUSHNER departed the area and proceeded to LaSalle Park where they were observed to be in deep conversation on a park bench.

4:35 PM

JOSIP FARBER entered the J.L. Hudson Department Store where he was met by PEGGY WELLMAN. FARBER and WELLMAN then proceeded to the Men's Department where FARBER made a purchase.

5:25 PM

PEGGY WELLMAN and FARBER departed above mentioned store, and returned to the WELLMAN residence at 6:00 PM.

5:26 PM

SAUL WELLMAN and KUSHNER departed the park and WELLMAN dropped KUSHNER off at the SCHATZ residence. WELLMAN then returned to his residence.

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7:30 PM

SID LINN entered the WELLMAN residence.

8:08 PM

SID LINN departed the WELLMAN residence.

8:30 PM

SAUL and PEGGY WELLMAN departed their residence.

8:35 PM

[redacted] entered the WELLMAN residence.

8:37 PM

[redacted] and JOSIP FARBER departed the WELLMAN residence and after walking a few houses to the West on Clairmount, FARBER returned to the WELLMAN residence.

8:40 PM

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FARBER departed the WELLMAN residence and walked up and down Clairmount for approximately fifteen minutes. At this same time, [redacted] was observed walking up and down Wildemere (it is to be noted that Wildemere is the first perpendicular street to Clairmount).

8:57 PM

[redacted] and JOSIP FARBER were observed departing the general area of the WELLMAN residence in [redacted] vehicle.

10:10 PM

PEGGY and SAUL WELLMAN returned to their residence.

11:40 PM

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT returned to the WELLMAN residence.

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[redacted] reported that he had attended a meeting from 8:00 PM until 11:35 PM on June 23, 1955, at which time principal speakers were LIGHTFOOT and BART. The results of this meeting are being set out by separate letter to the interested offices.

12:00 Midnight

All the lights where extinguished at the WELLMAN residence.

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12:50 AM

[redacted] vehicle was observed parked in his driveway and all the lights of his residence were out.

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8:25 AM

SAM KUSHNER entered the WELLMAN residence walking from the East carrying a green suitcase (two-suiter) and a tan briefcase.

9:01 AM

PEGGY WELLMAN departed from her residence alone.

9:45 AM

PHIL BART was dropped off at the WELLMAN residence by NAT GANLEY.

10:15 AM

PEGGY WELLMAN returned to her residence in the company of HELEN WINTER and both entered the WELLMAN residence.

10:20 AM

COLEMAN YOUNG entered the WELLMAN residence.

10:22 AM

SAUL and PEGGY WELLMAN departed their residence together.

10:27 AM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence alone.

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11:07 AM

SAM KUSHNER departed the WELLMAN residence with above mentioned suitcase and briefcase wearing a dark grey suit, white shirt and tie and walked East on Clairmount.

11:10 AM

KUSHNER hailed Detroit Cab Company, Cab 525 at Linwood and Taylor and proceeded to the Michigan Central Railroad Station where he boarded Train 355 for Chicago departing Detroit at 12:01 PM.

1:30 PM

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and COLEMAN YOUNG departed from the WELLMAN residence and walked to the East. LIGHTFOOT was wearing a light grey summer suit, grey straw hat with a white band and carrying a small overnight canvas bag.

2:30 PM

COLEMAN YOUNG and LIGHTFOOT arrived at Willow Run Airport.

2:45 PM

SAUL WELLMAN, PHIL BART and HELEN WINTER departed the WELLMAN residence.

3:00 PM

COLEMAN YOUNG departed Willow Run Airport via American Airlines Flight 729 for Chicago.

4:35 PM

SAUL WELLMAN's vehicle observed parked at CP Headquarters.

4:45 PM

SAUL WELLMAN, NAT GANLEY and PHIL BART were observed departing from CP Headquarters and proceeded to the residence of NAT GANLEY where BART and GANLEY alighted from the WELLMAN vehicle.

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5:05 PM

SAUL WELLMAN was observed mailing a letter at the intersection of Joy Road and Wildemere. Instant letter was addressed to FAYE C. VEDRO, 8860 18th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York

5:20 PM

SAUL WELLMAN returned to his residence.

6:25 PM

PEGGY WELLMAN returned to her residence.

6:32 PM

PEGGY and SAUL WELLMAN were observed departing their residence and later observed shopping on Linwood.

6:40 PM

SAUL and PEGGY WELLMAN returned to their residence.

7:30 PM

SAUL GROSSMAN entered the WELLMAN residence.

7:32 PM

SID LINN entered the WELLMAN residence.

7:40 PM

SID LINN, SAUL GROSSMAN and PEGGY WELLMAN departed the WELLMAN residence.

8:48 PM

PHIL SCHATZ entered the WELLMAN residence.

10:42 PM

PEGGY WELLMAN was dropped off at her residence by SAUL GROSSMAN.

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10:55 PM

SAUL and PEGGY WELLMAN and PHIL SCHATZ departed the WELLMAN residence and proceeded to the Parkside Hall where the LYL was having an affair.

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12:20 AM

NAT GANLEY was observed departing the WINTER residence.

12:42 AM

SAUL WELLMAN's vehicle was observed parked at the residence of PHIL SCHATZ.

1:35 AM

SAUL and PEGGY WELLMAN returned to their residence.

1:50 AM

All the lights where extinguished in the WELLMAN residence.

9:50 AM

NAT GANLEY dropped PHIL BART off at the WELLMAN residence where he entered. BART was dressed in a grey-blue suit, straw hat and carrying a new brown suitcase (two-suiter).

10:00 AM

PEGGY WELLMAN and PHIL BART departed the WELLMAN residence in WELLMAN's vehicle.

10:25 AM

NAT GANLEY returned to the WELLMAN residence and entered same.

11:57 AM

NAT GANLEY departed the WELLMAN residence.

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12:15 AM

| PHIL BART returned to the WELLMAN residence alone.

12:28 PM

| PHIL BART and SAUL WELLMAN departed the WELLMAN residence and proceeded to the Michigan Central Railroad Station. BART was carrying a medium tan suitcase.

12:52 PM

| BART placed his suitcase in terminal locker 651.

12:53 PM

| BART purchased a ticket for seat 35, car 311, on the Twilight Limited departing Detroit for Chicago at 4:45 PM.

1:00 PM

| BART and WELLMAN sat in the train station engrossed in conversation.

1:20 PM

| WELLMAN departed the terminal and returned to his residence.

1:30 PM

| BART departed the terminal and proceeded to the downtown area of Detroit on foot where he entered Greenfield's Restaurant at 2:05 PM.

2:35 PM

| BART departed the above restaurant and walked around the downtown area on a sightseeing tour.

4:12 PM

| BART re-entered the Michigan Central Railroad Station.

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4:24 PM

BART obtained his suitcase from the locker and at 4:27 PM boarded the above mentioned train.

4:47 PM

Instant train departed Detroit.

Regarding the 11:50 PM entry of June 20, 1955 referring to the two individuals that alighted from a taxi cab at the WELLMAN residence:

At 11:55 PM on June 20 SA JOHN JOSEPH MONAGHAN interviewed [redacted] driver of Lorraine Cab 94, which had dropped off the unidentified white male and the unidentified Negro male at the WELLMAN residence. Mr. [redacted] advised that he had picked up the above two individuals at the Michigan and Wyoming Bus Depot at 11:40 PM and had driven them directly to [redacted]. Mr. [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that the white male was a rather huskily built man in his middle forties and had Italian or Mexican features, approximately 5'8" or 9" and dark, kinky hair. He stated he did not get a good look at the Negro male who had accompanied the white male, however he described him as a heavy-set man, 5'10" to 5'11". Mr. [redacted] was exhibited a group of photographs among which were photographs of LIGHTFOOT, KUSHNER, LEON NELSON, PHIL BART and JOSIP FARBER. Mr. [redacted] picked out the photograph of JOSIP FARBER and stated the white individual resembled the photograph of FARBER.

On June 21, 1955 SA JAMES R. MC CANCE interviewed [redacted] driver of the Airline Express Bus which stops at Wyoming and Michigan Avenues at approximately 11:30 PM. Mr. [redacted] stated he had a full load on that run and he recalled three or four persons departed his bus at the Michigan and Wyoming stop, however he did not recall a Negro male among them. Mr. [redacted] was shown approximately twenty photographs and he stated he could not be certain of any identities, however he picked out the picture of JOSIP FARBER as resembling one of the men on his bus that night.

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Chicago advised by Air-Tel June 24, 1955 that KUSHNER and LIGHTFOOT had departed Chicago American Airlines Flight 158 on June 20 for Detroit, estimated time for arrival of instant flight 10:20 PM.

From the above it appears that the two above individuals were LIGHTFOOT and KUSHNER.

Regarding the 9:50 AM entry of June 21, 1955.

SA JAMES R. MC CANCE interviewed [redacted] hostesses, American Airlines Flight 273, who advised that an individual fitting the description of the unknown male who greeted BART had been on Flight 273. They advised that his name was [redacted] but they did not know the correct spelling.

It is noted that the Smith Act Album shows a STANLEY DAVID LEVISON who bears a resemblance to the unknown individual.

[redacted], hostess, American Airlines Flight 133, non-stop from LaGuardia Field, New York to Detroit, advised SA JAMES R. MC CANCE she could not recall any individual fitting the description of the unknown male.

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On June 27, 1955 SA [redacted] and SA J. CARTER BEESE interviewed [redacted] JOHN FITZPATRICK and [redacted] salesmen, J.L. Hudson Department Store, Men's Department, who had worked on June 23, but were not available for interview on June 24. Mr. [redacted] advised he remembers an individual fitting FARBER's description being in the store and trying on grey sport coats, however he did not know whether he had made a purchase or not. Order slips were obtained from all of the salesmen in the Men's Department of Hudsons for June 23 and a search of the slips was made. Order slip from the book of SYDNEY MEAKIN reflected that he had sold a pair of pants to one J. FABER, 3000 Clairmount, Detroit, for which he paid \$14.37. Mr. MEAKIN advised SA [redacted] and SA BEESE that he recalled the sale after his memory was refreshed and stated that the individual did not seem to be very congenial and that he did not engage in any conversation with the salesman.

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The following information is being set forth for documentation of the foregoing information:

| <u>Date and Time</u> | <u>Agents</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| 6/20 - 9:45 p.m. to 6/21 - 8:00 a.m. | ERNEST R. STRAWMAN JOHN J. MONAGHAN [redacted] GORDON F. IHMLE [redacted] CHARLES W. GREGORY JOHN W. MILLER | DE 100-17226-Sub A- 141 |
| 6/21 - 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. | WILLIAM F. DESMOND J. CARTER BEESE JOHN J. MONAGHAN JOHN R. COOPER [redacted] IRVING R. ANDERSON [redacted] JAMES C. HOLMES | DE 100-17226- Sub A-142 |
| 6/21 (Willow Run Airport) | JAMES R. MC CANCE | DE 100-17226- Sub A-143 |
| 6/21 - 5:50 p.m. to 8:55 p.m. | [redacted] RICHARD H. DAVIS JOHN R. CLARKE, JR. | DE 100-17226- Sub A-144 |
| 6/21 - 5:30 p.m. to 6/22 - 8:00 a.m. | MARTIN F. O'GARA RICHARD H. DAVIS CHARLES W. GREGORY JOHN R. CLARKE, JR. J. CARTER BEESE [redacted] | DE 100-17226- Sub A-145 |

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| 6/22 - 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. | [REDACTED] GORDON F. IHMLE JOHN R. COOPER [REDACTED] JOHN W. MILLER ERNEST R. STRAWMAN [REDACTED] | DE 100-17226- Sub A-146 |
| 6/22-23 - 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. | [REDACTED] WILLIAM F. DESMOND, JR. J. CARTER BEESE JOHN J. MONAGHAN JAMES I. GLAVIN RICHARD H. DAVIS JOHN R. CLARKE, JR. [REDACTED] | DE 100-17226- Sub A-147 |
| 6/23 - 8:45 a.m. to 5:40 p.m. | [REDACTED] JOHN R. COOPER RICHARD H. DAVIS [REDACTED] CHARLES H. MILLER MARTIN F. O'GARA | DE 100-17226- Sub A-148 |
| 6/23-24 - 4:45 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. | [REDACTED] JOHN J. MONAGHAN JOHN R. CLARKE, JR. ERNEST R. STRAWMAN GORDON F. IHMLE CHARLES W. GREGORY RICHARD H. DAVIS [REDACTED] JOHN W. MILLER | DE 100-17226- Sub A-149 |
| 6/24 - 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. | [REDACTED] WILLIAM F. DESMOND, JR. J. CARTER BEESE ROBERT S. HOPLER [REDACTED] JOHN R. COOPER JAMES I. GLAVIN JAMES A. ABSHIER [REDACTED] EUGENE L. PAYNE | DE 100-17226- Sub A-150 |

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Date and Time

6/24-25 - 4:35 p.m.
to 8:00 a.m.

Agents

[REDACTED]
RICHARD H. DAVIS
CHARLES W. GREGORY
JOHN R. CLARKE, JR.
JOHN J. MONAGHAN

Location

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6/25 - 7:00 a.m.
to 5:00 p.m.

CLYDE P. SPITLER

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[REDACTED]
JAMES C. HOLMES
GORDON F. IHMLE
EUGENE L. PAYNE

6/25 - 12:50 to
4:47 p.m.

[REDACTED]
JAMES C. HOLMES
JOHN I. ADAMS

DE 100-17226-
Sub A-153

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-79) DATE: 7/11/55
FROM : SAC, New York (100-80634) (#12-14)
SUBJECT: CP, USA, FARM MATTERS
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[redacted] orally advised SAs BRYAN JINNETT
of Newark and RICHARD H. BLASSER of the NYO on 6/23/55
that he visited NYC on [redacted]

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Letter to Director
NY 100-80634

[redacted] in a restaurant
near [redacted], Downtown NY.
Informant advised he ascertained the following information:

[redacted] who has been associated with Party farm activity, told the informant that PHIL BANT, member of the National Administrative Committee, visited [redacted] and himself on several occasions recently. BANT apologized to [redacted] that nothing was being done on the CP farm front and said that something would be done soon. BANT indicated to [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

BANT told [redacted] that until this decision was handed down he would be unable to determine the manner in which he should work.

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Informant advised, however, that now since a favorable decision has been handed down, BANT and others would now be able to work more freely.

BANT told [redacted] that he has been out of town on several occasions and has not had the time recently to consider the farm front problem.

In addition, BANT told [redacted] that before he did anything on this matter he wanted to talk to [redacted] member of the NJ CP, because he did not desire to go over their heads in this matter.

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1-NY 100-9365 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) (#12-10)

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Informant advised that, according to [redacted]
BART has already talked to [redacted] about the farm
situation.

Informant ascertained from [redacted]
[redacted] who has also been associated with
farm activity for the Party, that a meeting has been
called by BART for [redacted]. This meeting will probably
be held at the Jefferson School of Social Science at
1:00 P.M.

Informant advised that [redacted]
[redacted] will also be present. Informant was unable to
furnish the identity of other individuals who would be
present at this meeting.

Informant advised, however, that those who will
attend the [redacted] meeting are those individuals who have
been active for the Party on the farm front.

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Informant ascertained from [redacted] that
they are detached from Party activity and do not know what
has been going on.

Informant described [redacted] as [redacted]
[redacted] in the Party who can [redacted] such as
that of being a [redacted] and can occupy himself with such
type of activity.

Informant advised, however, that [redacted] depends
solely on the Party [redacted] and that
when nothing is being done on [redacted] as it is
now, he becomes stagnant.

[redacted] told the informant that an individual by
the name of [redacted] (phonetic) of the Mid-West CP
had just made a trip through NYC for the Mid-West CP.
Informant ascertained from [redacted] told him the
whole farm situation is stagnant and that the Mid-West CP
is wondering when it is going to change. [redacted] (phonetic)
indicated to [redacted] that the Mid-West Party people in farm
activity are angry and upset that nothing is being done on
the farm front.

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Informant was of the opinion that BART is "sitting on things" because he is lazy and does not get around to handling the situation. According to the informant, BART is able to get away with this because nowadays there is a tendency in the Party for no one to go over anyone else's head on any matter.

[redacted] told the informant that BART wants to see [redacted] meeting in order to discuss with him the [redacted]

Informant advised he had [redacted]
WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and the National Committee concerning

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If any of the above information furnished by [redacted] is used in a report or disseminated outside of the Bureau, it must be very carefully paraphrased in order to protect the identity of the informant.

NY 7/12/55

DETROIT

PHILIP BART, was: IS - C.

NY is in the process of preparing a report on captioned subject and desires to incorporate information set forth in Detroit letter to Bureau dated 6/28/55, captioned "CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION; IS - C" (Detroit file 100-2817). This letter contains information furnished on 6/25/55 by "an anonymous source close to PHIL BART, National CP, USA, functionary."

Detroit is requested to furnish the permanent symbol number assigned the above described anonymous source if one has been assigned. Detroit is also requested to furnish a characterization of this anonymous source. Submit results by return airtel. Dated 7/19/55.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284)

DATE: 7-12-55

FROM : SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (61-55)

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART, was.
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SMITH ACT 1940

Reference: Bulet to IP dated 5-5-55 captioned "CS [redacted]" instructing this office to review the information furnished by [redacted] and to make known to the Bureau and interested offices his availability as a discontinued informant and potential witness under the caption of the individual case containing information furnished by him.

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[redacted] is a white, male, born [redacted] at [redacted]. He resides at [redacted], Indiana, and is employed by the [redacted] Indiana. He first became a member of the CP in [redacted] in [redacted] he was a member of the [redacted]. The Bureau approved the informant and authorized payment effective [redacted]

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 [redacted] Subsequent efforts on the part of the informant

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to reactivate himself in the CP have been unsuccessful. The informant has furnished written and oral reports and was paid for his services. He has no known criminal record. He has advised that he would be willing to testify before the courts or hearing boards in connection with those cases in which he furnished information. He has been contacted by the Office of the Attorney General for such purposes and has expressed his willingness to serve. It is believed that the informant would make an excellent witness.

It is noted that information has been furnished by [redacted] in connection with the captioned matter.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, 100-31643

FROM : SA JAMES J. FINLEY

SUBJECT: PRESS CONFERENCE,
NEW YORK CITY, 2/19/55
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DATE: 7/12/55

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On 2/21/55, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JAMES J. FINLEY of the information set out below.

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This information, reduced to writing and initialed by [redacted] on 6/8/55, is located in [redacted]

The signed statement of the Informant is being set forth verbatim below:

[redacted]

"On [redacted] a delegation from Philadelphia to a press conference in New York City [redacted]
[redacted]

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JJF:MMS 7/17/55
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CC: (5) - New York (Registered Mail)
(THE WORKER)
(PHIL BART)
(MARTHA STONE)
(ARTHUR FAUSET)
[redacted]

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Philadelphia

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MEMO, SAC

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others into the Yugoslav Hall where the conference was held.

"Phil Bart acted as chairman of the meeting and Martha Stone gave the main address on the progress of the press drive. Stone stated they were very pleased with the progress shown to date this year in comparison with last year.

"After Stone spoke, delegates from various areas got up and spoke on the progress of the drive in their districts, but these delegates did not identify themselves. Jessie Schneiderman spoke for the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware stating that this district had made 75% of their quota. Schneiderman stated that the out of town sections had fallen down on the job, but that Philadelphia itself, through close supervision, had exceeded their quota.

"Bob Klonsky also spoke on the press drive in Philadelphia stating the reason why they were able to report a success was the close control exercised by the leaders down through the sections and the individual clubs. Klonsky emphasized this and stated was not a temporary condition, but one which would continue.

"After each district had reported on the drive, Phil Bart made three proposals of actions to be taken by the various districts.

"They are: (1) Daily Worker Fund Drive; effective 3/15/55, a new drive to start 3/15/55 to raise an additional \$100,000 to go with the \$75,000 already raised. Each district will be sent a quota later. (2) Faust birthday celebrations to be held in each district from 3/15 to 4/1/55. Each club to send greetings to Faust and try to sell Faust's new book. (3) Celebration for National Communist Party leaders.

"The CP expects the jailed national leaders to be released in April and they want celebrations to be held all over country for them.

"In addition to those mentioned above, the following also attended the conference:

"Miriam Crawford

[Redacted]

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Leon Tessler"

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7/12/55

The information set out above has been orally furnished to the CP Library of the Philadelphia Office and to interested Agents.

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| TITLE CHANGED CONSTANCE S. BART, was: "Nat," "Vi", Mrs. Levy, Mona S., Mrs. Lou Rosen | CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C | | | |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject reportedly active in CP Underground for the past 4 years. She is currently a full time functionary of the National CP UG Apparatus; however, is reportedly being reassigned to open CP activities. Subject currently residing under an assumed name at 45-35 44th St., Queens, NY. Subject's CP UG assignment appears to concern CP financial matters and brings her in contact with numerous CP members of both the Open Party and the UG apparatus. Subject's removal from UG appears to be of routine nature due to length of service and the fact she was very unhappy at times working in Underground assignment.

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DETAILS: The title of this report is being marked changed to reflect the additional aliases of "Nat", "Vi", Mona S., Mrs. Levy, and Mrs. Lou Rosen, used by the subject. The subject used these aliases in connection with her assignment in the National CP Underground (UG) Apparatus.

The Communist Party (CP), USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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BACKGROUND

Residence (Hideout)

45-35 44th Street
Queens, New York
Apartment 4K

On February 23, 1955, T-1, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised he had gained information that the subject was possibly residing at this location.

On February 26, 1955, [redacted], advised the subject is residing at this location with Mrs. FANNY IDELS, Apartment 4K. They stated that they had observed the subject in the building two or three weeks previous but were unaware that she was residing with IDELS. They stated IDELS had subsequently advised them the subject was a roomer in her apartment. IDELS stated further that the subject was a social worker with irregular hours.

[redacted] advised that FANNY IDELS is a widow. Further, that she has resided in this apartment with her family for a number of years. However, when her children recently married she moved from the apartment to allow her son and his family her apartment. In December, 1954, the son moved and Mrs. IDELS returned to live in the apartment.

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[redacted] stated that they were of the opinion that Mrs. IDELS would be residing in the apartment alone.

T-2, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on December 2, 1953, that FANNY IDELS, 45-35 44th Street, Queens, was a subscriber to "The Worker."

"The Worker" is the Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker", an East Coast Communist daily newspaper.

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Former Residence (Hideout)

924 East 181st Street
Bronx, New York

On November 9, 1954, T-3, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised the subject resided at this address.

On November 15, 1954, [redacted], advised the subject was residing in Apartment B-6 with ROSE EISEN. Further, that she, [redacted] was unaware the subject was residing with EISEN as she, [redacted] had always thought EISEN, who is a widow, resided alone. [redacted] had no idea how long the subject had been living in Apartment B-6, commenting that Mrs. EISEN had never informed her that she had a roomer in her apartment. [redacted] further advised she had no idea of the name the subject was using.

She related that ROSE EISEN is about 60 years old and employed as a practical nurse or housekeeper. She could furnish no information concerning EISEN's current employment.

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T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on August 5, 1952, that ROSE EISEN, 924 East 181st Street, Bronx, New York, had contributed \$100.00 to the Civil Rights Congress Bail Fund on November 7, 1949.

The Civil Rights Congress has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On December 3, 1954, [redacted] advised she had learned the subject was no longer residing with ROSE EISEN. Further that she had no idea when or to what location the subject had moved.

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T-5 advised he last observed the subject in the vicinity of 924 East 181st Street, Bronx, New York, on November 26, 1954. Informant stated at this time the subject came out of this location carrying two of her winter coats and placed them in a cleaning establishment. He could furnish no information regarding activities of the subject subsequent to this time.

COMMUNIST PARTY UNDERGROUND IDENTITY

"VI"

On November 9, 1954, T-6, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that RALPH GLICK advised the informant he would see "VI", whom he did not further identify, at 11 a.m. on November 24, 1954, at the Independent Steinway Avenue Subway Station, Long Island City, Queens, New York.

T-7, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on November 24, 1954, that RALPH GLICK met the subject at the above location at the time indicated.

T-6 identified RALPH GLICK as Security Director of the New York State Communist Party (CP) operating in the Concealed Sector of the CP, at that time.

On April 14, 1955, T-8, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that a unknown person "VI" was possibly associated with IDELS at telephone listing Stillwell 4-9243.

T-9, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on April 14, 1955, that telephone listing Stillwell 4-9243 was the telephone in the apartment of FANNY IDELS, Apartment 4K, 45-35 44th Street, Queens, New York. As previously set forth, the subject's current hideout is with FANNY IDELS at this location.

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"NAT"

T-8 stated on April 16, 1955, that JACK KLING had advised him (T-8) he would see "NAT", whom he did not further identify, at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 20.

T-10, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, stated JACK KLING met the subject at 10:00 a.m. on April 20, 1955.

T-8 identified JACK KLING as one of the top functionaries of the National CP Underground (UG) Apparatus.

On April 14, 1955, T-9 stated the subject had advised she is engaged in CP UG activities and uses the alias "NAT" in this connection.

MONA S. and Mrs. LOU ROSEN

On April 5, 1955, T-8 advised he had gained information that MONA S., whom he could not further identify, would register at the Plaza Hotel as Mrs. LOU ROSEN and would meet PHIL, not further identified, later on that evening.

On April 13, 1955, T-11, who was in a position to furnish reliable information, stated the subject registered at the Plaza Hotel, 911 Sipp Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey, under the name Mr. and Mrs. LOU ROSEN, 850 High Ridge Road, Stamford, Connecticut, and was given Room 415. Subsequent investigation determined that she met her husband, PHIL BART, later in the evening on this date and that they retired to Room 415.

T-16, who has furnished reliable information in the past, has identified PHILIP BART as a former member of the CP UG and presently a member of the Administrative Committee, CP, USA.

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Mrs. LEVY

On March 16, 1955, [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Queens, New York, advised the subject identified herself as Mrs. LEVY. [REDACTED] explained that the mail man had given her a letter missent to this address and that she had inquired of the subject, among others, if this could possibly be her letter. According to [REDACTED] the subject advised in the negative and replied her name is LEVY.

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It is to be noted the subject's sister-in-law's name is CELIA LEVY.

CP UNDERGROUND POSITION

On January 6, 1955, T-12, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised that "NAT", whom he could not further identify, was connected with financial matters of the CP, USA, and appeared to handle accounting activities for some of the concealed members of the CP.

On February 15, 1955, T-13, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised that "NAT" (VI) was associated with the National Headquarters, CP, USA, New York City. Further, that this person was possibly associated with CP, USA, financial matters.

On March 11, 1955, T-8 advised that NAT is a full timemember of the OB (Organizational Bureau). This informant has identified the OB as a leading committee of the CP UG.

On April 14, 1955, T-9 advised the subject is involved in financial matters of the CP, USA, and the CP, USA, UG. This informant stated the subject had advised him that she normally has in her possession approximately \$4,000 in cash in various denominations up to \$50 bills. Further, that she, the subject, uses the alias of "NAT" in connection with her CP, USA, UG assignment.

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T-8 advised on May 20, 1955, that the subject had informed him she had been in the CP UG for approximately 4 years. He added, however, the subject did not elaborate on her position or her activities in the UG during this period.

FORMER CP POSITION

T-14, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on September 27, 1954, the name CONNIE BART appeared on the payroll records of the New York County CP, 73 West 99th Street, New York City. This informant stated BART'S Social Security Number was listed on the record as 353-22-9574.

T-15, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in the latter part of August, 1954, that CONSTANCE BART had advised the informant that she was employed in December, 1952, to 1953 by the New York County CP, 73 West 99th Street, New York City. Further that she was employed by the New York County CP, 35 East 12th Street, in 1950 and 1951 and the Communist Political Association (CPA), 208-10 West Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois, from December, 1944, to 1945.

Informant related CONSTANCE BART advised she was born on August 4, 1901, Ocala, Florida, and that her parents were MAURICE STRAUSS and HELEN GOTTLIEB.

T-9, on April 14, 1955, further advised that the subject had initiated a United States Income Tax Return for 1953. Informant stated the subject listed her home address as 120 Avenue N, Brooklyn, New York. Further, that she had indicated her Social Security Number on this Form as 35-22-9574 and had shown her employment as Organizer, New York County CP, 73 West 99th Street, New York, during this period. According to informant, this form reflected she had earned \$2400 and that her husband's name is PHILIP BART. Form also reflected that she had filed a 1952 United States Income Tax Report. It is noted that the subject's sister-in-law, CELIA LIVY, resides at 120 Avenue N, Brooklyn.

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NEW CP POSITION

T-8 advised on May 9, 1955, that it appeared that the subject was being considered for a new position in the Southern Sector of the CP.

This informant subsequently advised on May 20, 1955, that it appeared the subject would not be appointed to the Southern Sector. Further, that she would be relieved from her UG assignment and would be available for reassignment in Open CP activities. Further, that she would likely be assigned to activities in the New York area. Informant added, he believed this reassignment would take place soon after May 30, 1955.

Informant stated it appeared the subject's removal from the CP UG was of routine nature inasmuch as she had been engaged in Underground activities for the past 4 years and at times she was very unhappy as a result of being separated from her family.

T-16 advised on June 26, 1955, that he had been informed that the subject would be removed from her CP UG assignment in the near future.

In this regard, T-17, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 28, 1955, that the subject was observed at the residence of her sister-in-law, CELIA LEVY, 120 Avenue N, Brooklyn, New York. It is noted that this is the current residence address of the subject's husband, PHIL BART.

CP UG ACTIVITIES

T-18, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 3, 1954, that IRVING HERMAN had advised him, informant, that one of the leading CP Underground functionaries of the New York area has many contacts with concealed as well as Open Party people and if her identity was known she would lead to key people. Informant stated he believed this person could be the subject.

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T-18 identified IRVING HERMAN as Security Director of the CP, USA, Underground.

T-19, who was in a position to furnish reliable information, advised in November, 1954, and since the latter part of February, 1955, he has been in contact with the subject. He stated the subject had advised that as a result of her leading position in CP Underground she remains very busy and makes numerous contacts with individuals operating in the CP UG as well as individuals connected with Open CP activities. Informant stated that she advised him she meets those individuals under clandestine conditions and the meets with those people are of varying duration.

T-8 advised on May 20, 1955, that he believes the subject, in addition to her other duties in the Undorground Apparatus, has control of a group of people used primarily to "dry clean" CP Underground leaders prior to important meetings and functions. According to informant, these people used for "dry cleaning" purposes are trusted CP members who have been thoroughly investigated by the CP for this responsible assignment.

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| Identity of Source | Date of Activity and/or Description of Information | Date Received | Agent to Whom Furnished | File No. Where Located |
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| T-1 Fisur of subject | 2/23/55 | 2/23/55 | [REDACTED] [REDACTED] FRANCIS C. COSTIGAN, HOWARD G. KINNALLY, JAMES. J. KEARNY | 100-12959- Sub File A |
| T-2 Former CSNY 426 | Used for documentation | | | |
| T-3 Fisur of subject | 11/9/54 | 11/9/54 | [REDACTED] | 100- 12959- b6 Sub A b7C |
| T-4 Former Attorney Gen. NATHANIEL L. GOLDSTEIN | Info re [REDACTED] [REDACTED] | 8/5/52 | SA DONALD P. ADAMS | 100-80675- 1B1134 P.39 |
| T-5 Fisur of subjct | 11/26/54 | 11/26/54 | [REDACTED] MAURICE T. BOWMAN. | " |
| | | | [REDACTED] EDWARD J. GALLAGHER. | |
| T-6 NY 1239-S* | 11/9/54 | 11/9/54 | [REDACTED] | |

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| T-7 Fisur of RALPH GLICK | 11/24/54 4/16/55 4/5/55 5/9/55 5/20/55 | 11/24/54 4/16/55 4/5/55 5/9/55 5/20/55 | BOYD B. HENRY, JR., [redacted] RICHARD A. DONOVAN, THOMAS J. WALSH, JOHN F. MORLEY | 100-16854- Sub A |
| T-8 NK 2010-S* | | | | b6 b7C |
| T-9 | [redacted] | b7D | | |
| T-10 Fisur of subject | 4/20/55 | 4/20/55 | MAURICE T. BOWMAN, [redacted] | 100-12959- Sub A |
| T-11 Fisur of subject | 4/13/55 | 4/13/55 | [redacted] J. BARRY. | 100-12959- DENNIS Sub A |
| T-12 NY 1418-S* | 1/6/55 | 1/6/55 | | |
| T-13 CS SF 2140-S* | 2/15/55 | 2/15/55 | | |

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| T-14 NYC Marshal | Info re Payroll Records, CP, NYC | 9/27/54 | NIEL P. DIVERS, RYAN | 100-12959- 186 |
| T-15 CSBA 4-S | 8/4/54 | 8/4/54 | SE [redacted] [redacted] | 100-12959- s. 176 |
| (T-16 CG 5824-S | Used for documentation Info re subject's return to open CP activities | 6/26/55 | CARL N. FREYMAN | 100-96985- Tol from Chicago, 6/27/55 |
| T-17 Fisur of subject | 6/28/55 | 6/28/55 | [redacted] MAURICE T. BOWMAN, | 100-12959- Sub A |
| T-18 NK 1993-S* | 12/3/54 | 12/3/54 | ROBERT G. SWEENEY | |
| T- 19 Numerous fisurs of subject | Underground activities | Period of known residence 11/8-26/54 2/23/55 to date | Agents of NYO | 100- 12959- Sub A |

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized in the report only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Security Index cards concerning subject have been checked and found to be correct. FD 122 reflecting additional aliases of the subject has been transmitted to the Bureau.

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ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS

It is noted that information attributed to T-19 in the Details of this report was obtained from numerous fisurs conducted on the subject in November, 1954, and since February 23, 1955. Each individual contacted by the subject was not set forth in the Details of this report in order not to jeopardize the investigative technique utilized as well as the necessary security of this investigation and the investigation of the overall CP Underground apparatus.

Known contacts of the subject as determined by discreet fisurs are as follows:

CP Undorground Contacts

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| JACK KLING, Previously idcntified | 6/30/54 | 9:30 a.m. | Bickfords Restaurant, LI Railroad Station, Brooklyn, NY | 6 hours |
| | 7/2/54 | 10 a.m. | 1455 Fulton Street, Bronx, NY | 6 hours |
| | 11/15/54 | 9:50 a.m. | Marcy and Myrtle Avenues, Bklyn, NY | Not known, as fisur necessarily discontinued at time of meot to insure full security of fisur |

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| | 2/24/55 | 10 a.m. | 550 J Grand St., NY, NY | 6½ hours |
| | 3/1/55 | 1:45 p.m. | 82nd and Roosevelt Ave., Queens, NY | 1 hour |
| | 3/31/55 | 10 a.m.? | 550 J Grand St., NY, NY | Approximately 6 hours |
| | 4/20/55 | 10 a.m. | Essex and Grand St., NY, NY (to 550 J. Grand St.) | 5 hours |
| | 4/25/55 | 10 a.m. | 37 East 36th St., NYC | 8 hours |
| | 4/29/55 | 2:30 p.m. | B. Altman Dept. Store, 5th Ave. and 34th Street, NY, NY | 20 minutes |
| | 4/29/55 | 7:30 p.m. | 125th Street and 8th Ave., Subway Station, NY, NY | 2 hours |
| | 5/4/55 | 10:20 a.m. | 793-795 Fairmont Place, Bronx | 5 hours |

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| IRVING HERMAN (previously identified) | 11/23/54 2/25/55 | 1:30 p.m. 1:10 p.m. | Delancey and Essex Streets, NYC Northern Blvd. and Main St., Flushing, NY | 2 hours 1½ hours |
| | 4/26/55 | 11 a.m. | Fischetti Restaurant, 91-08 Jamaica Avenue, Queens | 5 hours |
| | 5/5/55 | 6:30 p.m. | Northern Blvd. and Union St., Flushing, NY | Not known as fiscus discontinued at time of meet in the interest of security |
| ESTHER EISENSCHER NK 2010-S has identified ESTHER FISENSCHER as | 11/8/54 11/11/54 | 3:10 p.m. 10:30 a.m. | Abraham Strauss Dept. Store, 420 Fulton St., Brooklyn, NY 125th Street Station, IRT Subway | 2 hours 30 minutes |
| a leading functionary of the National CP UG apparatus and a member of the OB | | | | |

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| Unsub, wa: RACHEL BERNSTEIN, who has tentatively been identified as LILY SOLOMON, missing NY SI subject. NK 2010-S* has identified RACHEL BERNSTEIN as one of the leading functionaries of the National CP UG apparatus | 11/8/54 | 7:50 p.m. | 79th Street and Lexington Ave., NYC | 4 hours |
| | 2/28/55 | 7 p.m. | Gunhill Rd. and Webster Avenue, Bronx | 3 hours 30 minutes |
| | 4/25/55 | 9 p.m. | Concord Cafeteria, Jamaica Ave. and Parsons Blvd., Queens | 1 hour |
| MARION DELORES DODD, NY 1418-S* | 11/10/54 | 6 p.m. | Oyster Bay Rest., Lexington Ave and 54th St., NYC | 1 hour |
| on 1/6/55 advised that DODD was a leading functionary engaged in CP UG work for the National CP UG Apparatus | 11/12/54 | 5 p.m. | 9th Ave. and 43rd Street, NYC | 1½ hours |
| | 2/23/55 | 1:30 p.m. | 225th Street and White Plains Rd., Bronx, NY | 3 hours |

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| RALPH GLICK (Previously identified) | 11/8/54 | 1:50 p.m. | IND Subway Station, 1 hour 23rd St., and Ely Avenue, LIC, NY | |
| | 11/12/54 | 1:15 p.m. | IND Subway Station, 1 hour Steinway Avenue, LIC | |
| | 11/24/54 | 1 p.m. | " | " |
| DAVID ROSENBERG NY 1166-S* on 7/22 and 23/54 advised DAVID ROSENBERG was a leading functionary of the NYC CP UG apparatus | 7/2/54 | 10 a.m. | 1455 Fulton Street, Bronx | 5 hours |
| | 7/23/54 | 9:30 a.m. | Howard Johnson Restaurant, Flatbush Ave. and Fulton St., Brooklyn | 30 minutes |

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Open Party Contacts

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| [redacted] | 2/23/55 | 6 p.m. | 88th St. and 2nd Ave., NYC | 1½ hours |
| NK 2010-S*, a source close to JACK KLING, advised on 5/20/55 that one [redacted] not further identified, could have a leading position in the | 2/24/55 | 7 p.m. | Nostrand Ave. and Fulton St., Blklyn. | Duration not known as hisur discontinued at point of meet in the interest of security |

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| apparatus employed by the CP UG to 4/22/55 "dry clean" their concealed members. Informant believed this [redacted] could be | 3/16/55 4/29/55 | 6:40 p.m. 6:30 p.m. | 72nd St. and 3rd Ave., NYC 72nd St. and 1st Ave., NY, NY | 1 hour 1 hour |
| | 4/29/55 | 6 p.m. | subject entered [redacted], Brooklyn | 30 minutes |
| | 5/24/55 | 7:05 p.m. | Rutland Rd. and East 98th St., Brooklyn | No known as fisur dis- continued in the interest of security at point of meet |
| b6 b7C | 6/15/55 | 6 p.m. | Subject entered [redacted] Brooklyn, NY | Duration not known as subject's departure from building not observed |
| [redacted] | 11/10/54 | 2 p.m. | Subject entered [redacted] St., NY | 2½ hours |
| St., NY In 1/50, MILDRED BLAUVELT, Detective, NYCPD, identified | 11/12/54 | 7:30 p.m. | Subject entered [redacted] NY | All night |

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| [redacted] | 11/13/54 | 9 a.m. | Subject departed [redacted] Street. | See Above |
| as members of the CP, Kings County, 2/23/55 It is noted that [redacted] | 2/23/55 | 8:05 p.m. | 53rd Street and Madison Avenue. Subject met [redacted] | 30 minutes |
| [redacted] where subject currently resides. | 5/13/55 | 8:30 p.m. | Subject entered [redacted] Street, NY | Not known as subject not again observed. |

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Regarding activity on 5/13/55, it is noted that NK 2010-S* furnished information on this date, 5/13/55, that the [redacted] apartment was possibly to be used for some type of Underground activity. It appeared from this information that 3 people would arrive separately at the [redacted] apartment at 8:30, 9:15, and 10. Each individual was furnished a different statement to make in order to gain entrance to the apartment.

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On 5/13/55, the subject entered the [redacted] apartment at 8:30 p.m.; however, a fisur in this location determined that no other person known to be connected with the CP Underground was observed entering the apartment during this evening. In addition, the subject was not observed again.

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| WILLIAM WOLFE 11/8/54 | 8:30 p.m. | 86th Street and Lexington Ave., NYC | 3 hours |
| VOGEL, 2140 East Tremont Ave., Bronx | | | |
| Former ND 4/22/55 | 7:35 p.m. | Westchester Square, Parkchester, NY | 30 minutes, at which time fisur discontinued in interest of security. Subj. still with VOGEL |
| 425 advised in 12/47 that WILLIAM WOLFE | | | |
| VOGEL was Organizational Secretary of the Parkchester-Westchester Section of the CP | | | |

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| [redacted] | 11/13/54 | 10 a.m. | Subject departed with [redacted] from [redacted] | 3 hours |
| NYC NY 1239-S*, 3/30/55 a source close to RALPH GLICK, former NY State CP UG Security Dirccct, advised on 11/9/54 that GLICK was checking on [redacted] for "VI" and that [redacted] was bcing considered for an unknown UG assignment. | | 1 p.m. | 50th St. and 8th Avenue, NY | 1 hour |
| [redacted] | 11/10/54 | 7:30 p.m. | Subject entered [redacted] Ave. and 2 hours lator departed with [redacted] | 2 hours |
| Bronx, NY. advised on 2/28/55 12/31/53 that [redacted] and her husband, NORMAN, for a period prior to this date, resided in Chicago, ILL. Further, that the CP UG leadership had praised them and had given NORMAN a secret Party assignment. However, he, NORMAN, suffered a mental relapse from the pressure of this assignment and was returncd to the NY arca. He was subsequently committed to a montal institution where he eventually died. | | 5:25 p.m. | Subject entered above address | 30 minutes |

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| A fisur on 4/4/55 determined that [redacted] | | | | |
| met an unknown individual PAUL, at the intersection of JEROME Ave. and Kingsbridge Rd., NYC, at 8 p.m. NK 2010-S* has identified PAUL as an important functionary of the CP, USA, UG. | | | b6 b7C | |
| [redacted] St., NYC, | 11/9/54 | 12:45 p.m. | IND Subway Station Broadway and Lafayette Street, NYC | 15 minutes |
| Former [redacted] [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in the past, advised in 12/46 that [redacted] stated she joined the CP in 1940 and at this time. 1946. was [redacted] of the [redacted] Club of the CP. | 11/23/54 | 12:30 p.m. | " | " |

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| LEO POMERANCE, NY 1166-S*, a source close to DAVID ROSENBERG, previously identified, advised on 7/22 and 23/54 that LEO POMERANCE was in somehow connected with the CP UG apparatus. | 11/12/54 | 3 p.m. | US Realty Building Trinity Place and Thames Ave., NYC | 10 minutes |
| PHIL BART Subject's husband, previously identified | 2/26/55 | 7:20 p.m. | Elizabeth Cartaret Hotel, Elizabeth, NJ | Weekend |
| | 4/13/55 | 5 p.m. | Hotel Plaza, Jersey City, NJ | Weekend |

Contacts of Subject O,t of New York Area

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| NORMAN CAZDEN, 84 Keeler St., Bridgeport, Conn. | 4/18/55 | 5:20 p.m. | Subject entered CAZDEN residence | Remained overnight |
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[redacted] a former
fellow member of the
CP with NORMAN CAZDEN,
publicly identified
CAZDEN as a member of the
CP at an Open Hearing of
the Committee on Un-American
Activities in 1954. CAZDEN is
a self-employed music teacher,
working from his residence.

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| [redacted] and [redacted] | 4/28/55 | 7 p.m. | Subject entered [redacted] [redacted] residence, remained East Orange, NJ overnight at [redacted] | Subject overnight at [redacted] residence |
| [redacted] East Orange, NJ. | | | | |
| [redacted] on 1/15/54 advised he knew [redacted] to have been an active member of the [redacted] | 5/23/55 | 7 p.m. | Lundy's Rest., 20th Street and Emmons Ave., Brooklyn | 1 hour, at which time subject entered [redacted] |
| [redacted] NYC, in 1946. NK 2016-S* on 4/20/55 advised the [redacted] were in possession of financial records of the CP, USA. | | | | automobile and proceeded in direction of Manhattan. Fisur discontinued at this time in the interest of security. |

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Unidentified Contacts of the Subject

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| Unsub; Male (#1) | 4/22/55 | 10 a.m. | 33rd Street and Lexington Avenue, NY | 45 minutes |
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Fisur of unknown male determined he departed from area of meet and entered the NY Furniture Exchange on Lexington Avenue, between 32nd and 33rd Streets. Fisurs at this location subsequent to this date have not observed this unknown male. Unknown male described as white, age 35, 5'6", 140-150 lbs., medium build, wearing brown suit, light brown hat, black tie, characteristic - neat dresser.

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| Unsub; male (#2) | 4/22/55 | 7:40 p.m. | Westchester Square, Bronx, NY | 1 hour |

It is noted that the subject met with this unknown individual and then subsequently met WILLIAM WOLFE VOGEL on this date. Surveillances of both discontinued in the interest of maintaining security of the surveillance when subject and unknown male were picked up by VOGEL in his automobile. Unknown male described as white, age 25-35, 5'2", 125 - 135 lbs., colorless horn rimmed glasses, full head of black, bushy hair, wearing slacks and pullover sweater, characteristic -- appeared to be very young looking from distance.

Unsub; Male (#3) 4/29/55 12:20 p.m. 149th Street and Melrose Avenue, Bronx, NY 1 hour

Unsub; male met with subject on this date and one hour later met ESTHER EISENSCHER, previously identified. He was then surveilled to Southern Section of Manhattan, where it was necessary to discontinue the surveillance to maintain the security of the surveillance. He is described as white, 30 - 35, 5'10", 180 - 190 pounds, heavy build, light complexion, middle to light brown hair, kinky, very high forehead, prominent nose, very heavy dark frame horn rimmed glasses.

Automobiles Involved with Subject

DAVID COHEN
490 Herzl Street
Brooklyn, New York

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On 2/23/55, a car registered to DAVID COHEN, NY license DY 3073, picked up the subject and [redacted] previously identified, at 86th Street and 1st Avenue, NYC, at 7 p.m. The

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subject, [redacted] and the driver, presumed to be COHEN, remained in the car approximately 45 minutes. A subsequent fisur determined that this car returned to COHEN's address, 490 Herzl Street, after this meet. Individuals observing the driver of this car advised he closely resembled the known description of COHEN.

CSNY 426-S* advised in March, 1944, that DAVID COHEN, 490 Herzl St., Brooklyn, was a member of the Thomas Jefferson Club, 11th A.D., Kings County CP, NY.

Unknown Male driving
automobile registered
to [redacted]

[redacted] NYC

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On 5/5/55, the subject was picked up at 2 p.m. at Fordham Road and University Ave., Bronx, by an unidentified man driving a 1950 or 1951 Pontiac, NY license 7C4561, which is registered to [redacted]. The subject and this man were together about 3 hours. Agents observing this man described him as white, male, approximately 35 years old, 5'10" - 6', 185 to 190 lbs., brown hair - thinning, full faced, and a neat dresser. Agents observing this man thought he somewhat fit the description of HERMAN [redacted]

Unknown male driving
automobile registered to
MORTIMER WIMPIE, 181
Hawthorne Street,
Brooklyn, New York

Subsequent to above meet with individual in above Pontiac, the subject travelled to Flushing, NY, where at 6:25 p.m. she was picked up at the intersection of Northern Blvd. and Union Street by a 1954 Blue Dodge, NY license Y 22-53. This car is registered to MORTIMER WIMPIE, above address.

Immediately subsequent to the above meet, this car with driver and subject, circled the block and picked up IRVING HERMAN at the same location. At this point, it was necessary to discontinue the surveillance in order to maintain security. Agents conducting fisur, in order to maintain full security of

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same, did not get a close enough look at the driver of this vehicle to ascertain his identity or to furnish a description of this person.

On 3/6/53, [redacted] who was in a position to furnish reliable information, advised he was personally acquainted with MORTIMER WIMPIE and that WIMPIE, in January, 1952, and March, 1953, had condemned the American system of Government. Further, that WIMPIE advised informant that he was well acquainted with individuals informant knew to be strong Communists.

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Locations Visited by Subject

550 J Grand Street
New York, New York
(as previously set forth)

JACK KLING and subject have visited this address on several occasions. Investigation to date has not determined the person or persons at this location whom the subject and KLING visited.

37 East 36th Street

The subject visited this address on two occasions, 4/25 and 4/29/55. Each time she remained in this location for approximately one hour. On the first occasion, JACK KLING also was observed entering and leaving this address at approximately the same time as the subject.

NK 2010-S* has advised that JACK KLING used Dr. GERALD I. SHAPIRO, 37 East 36th Street, for dental work and has paid approximately \$80.00 for this work.

[redacted] advised in September, 1954, that Dr. GERALD I. SHAPIRO, 37 East 36th Street, New York, was active in the Professional Section of the CP during this period.

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It is further noted that on 6/21/55, MAX WEISS, who has been identified by NK 2010-S* as one of the more important functionaries of the CP UG, visited this address for a 45 minuted period.

Investigation is currently being conducted to further identify the individual or individuals at this location who are being contacted by UG functionaries.

1455 Fulton Street
Bronx, New York

On 7/2/55 the subject, DAVID ROSENBERG, and JACK KLING, met at an apartment at this location. To date exact apartment for this meet has not been determined.

210 West 64th Street
New York, New York

On 11/13/54 the subject entered this address at 1:30 p.m. and departed/approximatoly one hour later. To date, it has not been determined who the subject contacted at this location.

Linoleum Store
26 Kingsbridge Road
Bronx, New York

On 11/18/54, the subject entered this address at 1:55 p.m. and remained there for approximately one hour. Investigation is being conducted to further identify the subject's contacts at this location.

It is to be noted that on 6/10/55 ETHEL EISENSCHER was also observed entering this store.

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793-5 Fairmont Place
Bronx, New York

On 5/4/55, JACK KLING and the subject spent approximately 5 hours at this location. To date, individuals they contacted at this location have not been determined.

145 West 96th Street
New York, New York

On 5/26/55 the subject visited this location. She spent approximately 5 hours there. Fisur conducted did not observe any other UG functionaries enter or leave the building. Investigation is being conducted to attempt to determine contacts of subject at this location.

1509-11 Silver Avenue
Bronx, New York

On 6/13/55 subject made 2 attempts to contact individuals at this location; however, could not obtain access to this building. The person whom the subject attempted to contact at this location has not been determined.

LEADS

NEW HAVEN

At Bridgeport, Connecticut

Will conduct appropriate investigation regarding NORMAN CAZDEN, 84 Keeler Street, to determine his connection with the subject as well as the overall CP UG apparatus.

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At East Orange, New Jersey

Will continue to follow and report the activities
of [redacted] East
Orange, in order to furthor establish their relationship with
the subject and overall CP UG apparatus.

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will continuo to follow subject's activities in
connection with her CP UG assignment and attempt to identify
additional contacts of the subjcct.

Will attempt to identify persons at various locations
visited by subject throughout NYC and determine the connection
these individuals have with the subject and the CP UG apparatus.
In addition, will attempt to identify those unknown individuals
with whom the subject has contact.

Will attempt to definitoly establish if the subject
is to be removed from her CP UG assignment and if determined
she is to be removed, will initiate investigation to determine
her new CP assignment.

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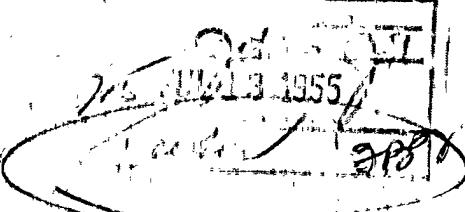
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According to NY 1475-S* on 4/29/55, PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) at CP National Headquarters spoke of having a series of six pamphlets prepared, each to deal with a separate question, such as, Problems in Labor; The Negro Question; Peace; and The 1956 Election, etc. He stated that they could contract with the various districts to take a certain number of copies at a particular price and added that these pamphlets would be sent out monthly beginning possibly in September or October.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * * * * * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18953)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
ORGANIZATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 7-13-55

Care should be used in reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SAs CARL N. FREYMAN and JOHN D. RIORDAN on June 29, 1955, that MOLLIE LIEBER WEST, who has returned to Chicago from California, met with PHIL BART, who holds a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party, and the informant while PHIL BART was in Chicago the weekend of June 25-26, 1955. WEST reported regarding her trip to California.

WEST's Estimate of California District

WEST reported she had seen all the CP leaders in California, and the leaders of the "People's World".

WEST reported the best CP organization in the country is in California because that district has retained the original CP setup in its entirety - that is functioning commissions and committees with all people being assigned tasks.

The reason for the growth and influence of the CP in California is given as a result of an ability to handle local problems in the trade union and legislative fields.

"People's World"

WEST cited as an example of the organization in California the collection, without difficulty, by the "People's World" of \$75,000.

Funds

WEST delivered to PHIL BART in the presence of the informant an envelope which she stated was given to her in California for delivery to BART. She said the envelope was supposed to contain

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- 1 - Bureau (100-3-63)(REGISTERED)
- 2 - New York (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-80641)(CP - USA, ORGANIZATION)
~~(1 - 100-56579)(PHIL BART)~~
(1 - 100-)(CP - USA, FUNDS)
(1 - 100-)(JOHN PITTMAN)
(1 - 100-)(BERNARD BERTON)
(1 - 100-)(COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN)
(1 - 100-)(NATIONAL NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL)
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- 15 - Los Angeles (REGISTERED)
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(1 - 100-)(HERB MARCH)
(1 - 100-)(SOFIE SILVER)
(1 - 100-)(MANNY RADIN)
(1 - 100-)(HARRY KRAMER)
(1 - 100-)(MRS. HARRY KRAMER)
(1 - 100-)(CP - USA, ORGANIZATION)
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(1 - 100-)(COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN)
(1 - 100-)(NATIONAL NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL)
(1 - 100-)(AMERICAN PEACE CRUSADE)
(1 - 100-)("PEOPLE'S WORLD")
- 6 - San Francisco (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-)(CP - USA, ORGANIZATION)
(1 - 100-)("PEOPLE'S WORLD")
(1 - 100-)(CP - USA, FUNDS)
(1 - 100-)(COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN)
(1 - 100-)(NATIONAL NEGRO LABOR COUNCIL)
(1 - 100-)(AMERICAN PEACE CRUSADE)
- 4 - Chicago
(1 - A/134-46)
(1 - 100-2749)(MOLLIE LIEBER WEST)
(1 - 100-20289)(JAMES WEST)
(1 - 100-2644)(PHIL BART)

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\$5,000 from the California District for the National CP Office. She stated she had not opened and counted the money in it. BART opened the envelope and counted \$5,000 in bills of \$100 denomination.

Individuals Migrating to California

WEST asserted that California profits by migration of people to the West coast. She stated that BERNARD BERTON and JOHN PITTMAN are going to the West coast.

Committee for Protection
of Foreign Born

WEST reported she had attended a picnic in California organized by the Committee for Protection of Foreign Born. Six thousand people were in attendance which is the best since 1948.

Left Center Organizations

The conclusion drawn in California, according to WEST, as a result of the above picnic was that such an organization should not be liquidated completely. A skeleton organization should be kept at least. She cited as falling into this group the National Negro Labor Council and American Peace Crusade.

Individuals Visited by WEST
in California

WEST reported that while in California she had met and visited with former Chicagoans. Among these were:

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[redacted]

Assignment not given;

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In charge of [redacted] for CP;

[redacted]

Head of a division;

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HERB MARCH,
Working in metal trade but
already injecting himself in
CP work;

SOPHIE SILVER
A CP leader in needle trades industry;

MANNY RADIN,
Not a CP member now.

WEST's Reasons for Leaving California

WEST stated she was "tailed" in Los Angeles and in San Francisco which accounted mainly for her return to Chicago.

She said there is also an inner-family fight which has brought the intervention of the Party.

JIM WEST's former wife is married to the business manager HARRY (KRAMER) of "People's World". Mrs. KRAMER has the girl whose father is JIM WEST. The mother, with whom MOLLIE WEST visited while she was in California, informed MOLLIE that someone from the FBI had tried to reach JIM's girl but was unsuccessful. The KRAMERS will not let the girl visit JIM.

MOLLIE said when she was preparing to depart, the daughter was kept away from her so she did not bring her to Chicago.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18953)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
ILLINOIS - INDIANA DISTRICT
ORGANIZATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 7-13-55

Care should be used in reporting the following information
in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally furnished the following information to SA CARL N. FREYMAN on June 29, 1955. CG 5824-S received this information in conversations with PHIL BART, who holds the position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party, during the weekend of June 25 and 26, 1955.

Personnel Problem - ART
and REVA HAENDLE

PHIL BART told the informant he had been talking to CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, member of the National Administrative Committee and District Organizer, Illinois - Indiana District, Communist Party - USA, in Detroit the previous week and learned the Illinois - Indiana District agreed with the decision of the CP National Office that ART HAENDLE should be released from this district. BART stated that HAENDLE has already cut off his connections with the other districts with which he has worked (Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Missouri and Iowa, in addition to Indiana and Illinois).

REVA HAENDLE is ill with her heart. She is working but she has indicated she wants more security. The HAENDLES plan to go to California, where ART may look for a job in industry or be placed in a leading position in the CP. In California, REVA will be closer to her family; however, her family is not in agreement with ART and her politically. REVA has declared she will not remain in Chicago because of the climate. She has also said that life in the last five years has been very hard.

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- 2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-3-89)(CP - USA, STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
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(1 - 100-56579) (PHIL BART)
(1 - 100-89590) (CP - USA, STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
(1 - 100-87221) (CP - USA, FACTIONALISM)
(1 - 100-) (ROSE TOPERCER)
- 5 - Omaha (REGISTERED)
(1 - 100-) (CP - USA, ORGANIZATION)
(1 - 100-) (ARTHUR HAENDLE)
(1 - 100-) (REVA HAENDLE)
(1 - 100-) (WARREN BATTERSON)
(1 - 100-) (UNKNOWN SUBJECT, wife of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, doctor)

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9 - St. Louis (REGISTERED)

(1 - 100-) (UNIDENTIFIED SUBJECT, Bakery truck driver presently
(I - 100-) (CP - USA, ORGANIZATION) acting District
(1 - 100-) (CP - USA, FACTIONALISM) Organizer, St. Louis)
(1 - 100-) (ARTHUR HAENDLE)
(1 - 100-) (REVA HAENDLE)
(1 - 100-) (WILLIAM SENTNER).
(1 - 100-) (JAMES FORREST)
(1 - 100-) [redacted] b6
(1 - 100-) (HELEN MUSIL) b7C

3 - Springfield (REGISTERED)

(1 - 100-) (CP - USA, ORGANIZATION)
(1 - 100-) (ARTHUR HAENDLE)
(1 - 100-) (REVA HAENDLE)

10 - Chicago

(1 - A/134-46)
(1 - 61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
(1 - 100-12259) (ARTHUR HAENDLE)
(1 - 100-19431) (CP - USA, STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
(1 - 100-) (REVA HAENDLE)
(1 - 100-22625) (WARREN BATTERSON)
(1 - 100-24459) (FRED BLAIR)
(1 - 100-) (ROSE TOPERCER)
(1 - 100- 2749) (MOLLIE LIEBER WEST)
(1 - 100- 3960) (WILLIAM SENNETT)

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The informant stated that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT has told him the HAENDLES will leave this district by October. Word is to be sent to California that the HAENDLES are coming to the Los Angeles area.

PHIL BART told the informant the Illinois - Indiana District agreed to try to find a temporary job in Chicago for ART HAENDLE in order that he might support his family in the next few months. BART also stated there were \$108 remaining of HAENDLE's funds which HAENDLE had as a subsidy from New York. The Illinois - Indiana District has been told to add \$100 to this amount for "severance pay" for HAENDLE.

Railroad Co-ordination

ART HAENDLE had begun an assignment in Chicago with the previously mentioned subsidy from New York. His work was to be in railroads and he was to have been the CP Railroad Co-ordinator.

BART told the informant that most of the railroad workers are in New York. There are sixty CP members, mostly colonizers and new members in New York in strategic positions. He asserted the railroad workers are stronger in New York than elsewhere.

No national decision has been made in the matter of a Railroad Co-ordinator. BART did say ROSE TOPERCER had been working with the railroad group but she is now in New York. A decision is to be made later on the matter of a Railroad Co-ordinator.

Organizational Matters in
Mid-Western Districts

CG 5824-S advised that on Sunday, June 26, 1955, ARTHUR HAENDLE had discussed with PHIL BART and the informant the situations in the various districts with which he has worked. In the course of this discussion, certain organizational decisions were also made.

Wisconsin

In Wisconsin, SIG EISENSCHER is an inadequate promotor and political leader. It was decided that some of those in the underground will be brought out since the national policy on the underground is that there is no danger of fascism; only the "reserve" leadership is to be left in the underground.

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It was originally decided that ALLEN SHAW and FRED BLAIR should come out of the underground. BLAIR is working in the Chicago area. It was decided that ALLEN SHAW must stay underground a while longer - possibly until after the CP National Conference August 2-3, 1955, in New York. OBU (Other Bureau Underground) must give the final decision regarding SHAW, who is presently at an unidentified lake in Wisconsin.

One "ALEC", a Czech who was in the underground and is now out, was discussed. He had an important job underground on farm matters, supposedly operating from central Wisconsin. CG 5824-S said that this person's last name may be LOOMER (phonetic) or LOOMAN (phonetic) and added that according to conversations with HAENDLE he may have worked in Northwestern Wisconsin. At any rate, he worked closely with ALLEN SHAW.

Minnesota, North and South Dakota

The leadership in the district is inadequate. BOB KELLY is not the proper leader. It was proposed that MARTIN MACKIE come from the underground for leadership, but this was postponed after the recent speech of Assistant to the Attorney General WILLIAM THOMPKINS regarding possible further arrests of CP leaders.

In looking to the future, the discussion considered CARL ROSS who still has approximately another year to serve in jail. There was a suggestion of groundwork being laid for ROSS to return to Minnesota.

There was an agreement that MARTIN MACKIE and BOB KELLY together could give quantitative leadership. The opinion is that CLARENCE HATHAWAY was not operating adequately.

Indiana and Kentucky

The discussion developed the following points regarding Indiana:

Since MANNY BLUM is concentrating on Lake County, most of Indiana and Kentucky are neglected. An attempt will be made to ease BLUM out of concentration and make him work on a broader basis. The National Office thinks BLUM is the wrong man for Indiana.

The main concentration in Indiana is auto, and this concentration has been neglected.

The Illinois District must assume more responsibility for Indiana and Kentucky.

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ORGANIZATION

Missouri

The discussion developed the following points regarding Missouri:

There are problems in the leadership. The strongest person is WILLIAM SENTNER, District Board Member, who does not assume responsibility. SENTNER must assume more responsibility.

The Acting District Organizer is a bakery truck driver and he is not politically developed.

The factional fight between JIM FORREST and [redacted] has been resolved to a large extent.

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HELEN MUSIL, who is in the leadership, cannot get time off from her bakery job. She was unable to attend a recent District leadership conference in Chicago because of this.

Iowa

The discussion developed the following points regarding Iowa:

There is little activity in Iowa. Some little activity takes place in Cedar Rapids, and there are a few members in Des Moines. There is nothing in Sioux City.

ART HAENDLE conducted a seminar or class in Iowa with a handful of people present.

It was decided that from time to time someone must go into Iowa to settle problems. The most developed person, and she is not sufficiently developed, is the wife of a doctor in Cedar Rapids. The doctor is not a Party member.

The situation in Iowa amounts to one in which the Illinois - Indiana District must handle Iowa.

WARREN BATTERSON, who is working in an electrical plant in the Chicago area, does not enter into the leadership picture in Iowa at all.

Discussion of Above Organizational Matters
with CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT by the informant

The informant briefed LIGHTFOOT on June 27, 1955, on the above

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discussion of problems and the following decision was reached:

The Illinois - Indiana District cannot assign an organizer to co-ordinate these areas with a full time person. The district will assign someone from the Organization Department to help these areas with organization conferences three or four times a year. The person to be so assigned should be of the caliber of MOLLIE LIEBER WEST or WILLIAM SENNETT.

If the people such as MARTIN MACKIE, ALLEN SHAW, and others come out of the underground, these districts may to a large degree stand on their own, but they will be told to look to Chicago for guidance.

SAC, Cleveland

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SAC, New York (100-56579)(7-1)

PHIL BART
IS - C

NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, disclosed that on 4/28/55, PHIL BART at CP National Headquarters greeted one "JACK" and asked him if he had had a good rest. JACK replied that he had. JACK told PHIL that they were getting "their fingers" on problems in the districts that they did not have before. He said that he had had advance copies of the Hastings-Mann article.

JACK also mentioned to PHIL that he had been a party member for thirty years and commented that he had been active in the Negro Community for sometime. PHIL told JACK to obtain a copy of an outline of the party program from MOLLY WEST before she returned to Chicago. He described this book as costing \$50 and containing 75 pages and having six lessons. PHIL said the good thing about the outline was that you could use additional material with it, such as, the works of Lenin or Marx. He added that it contained many quotations. (It is to be noted that according to the informant at this point PHIL BART referred to "JACK" as "HARRY".) JACK told PHIL that he could send this outline to him at "Box OR (phonetic) 1165 Cleveland 3, Ohio".

According to the informant the following conversation between JACK and PHIL also took place:

JACK stated that in his area they were trying to get everyone a job. He then made the following comment, "The day 'he' went down there we know of six people on that day that were under absolute surveillance." JACK spoke of "him" meeting

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- 1 - Cleveland (100-) (JACK (LNU)) (RM)
- 1 - Chicago (100-) (MOLLY WEST) (RM)
- 1 - NY 100- (JACK (LNU)) (7-6)

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with three people. Speaking in reference to this meeting JACK stated that he did not get this information from "him", but from one of the people.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

SAC, Newark (100-2974)

7/13/55

SAC, New York (100-66211)(7-5)

MARTHA STONE
IS - C

NY 1475-3*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, advised that on 5/3/55, [REDACTED] contacted MARTHA STONE at CP National Headquarters. They discussed LOTTIE (believed to be LOTTIE GORDON) and how she was feeling. [REDACTED] stated that she was not too bad and might possibly be better in a week or two. They then made an appointment to meet on Tuesday (presumably 5/10/55) at 2:00 PM.

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The informant also advised that later that same day PHIL BART stated to MARTHA that BILLY ALLEN was paid full time.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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- 1 - Newark (100- [REDACTED]) RM b6
1 - Newark (100- [REDACTED]) (LOTTIE GORDON) RM b7C
1 - New Haven (100-14795 (MARTHA STONE) RM
1 - Detroit (100- [REDACTED]) (WILLIAM ALLEN) RM
② - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(7-1)

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

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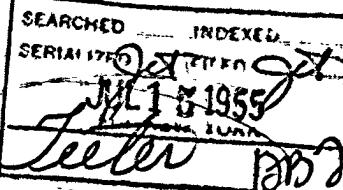
Anonymous Source contacted on June 25, 1955 regarding Subject.
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CP, USA-LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES; IS-C.

On 7/14/55 [redacted] has advised that on 7/7/55 PHIL BART informed him that CP plans National Legislative Conference in October, 1955, similar to conference held in August, 1954. Delegates will be expected from the East, Midwest, Far-West, and South. b7D

In conjunction with this meeting, a farm conference will be arranged. BART said he would have a days talk at a later date with informant to detail lag in CP farm activity.

Dissemination of above information appears unadvisable because of indefinite date mentioned for conference and position of informant since no others are known to possess this information.

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- 3 - Bureau (RM)
1 - NY [redacted] (PAC) (#7-4) b7D
② - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5)
1 - NY 100-80634 (CP, USA-Farm Matters) (#12-14)
1 - NY 100-80641 (CP, USA-Organization, (#12-14)

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SAC, New York (100-80641)(12-14)

CP, USA, ORGANIZATION
IS - C

NY 1475-S#, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Avenue, NYC, advised that on 5/4/55, PHIL BART was speaking to HERB (believed to be HERBERT MALIBOW) at CP National Headquarters. He stated that they needed a city organizer for Detroit and added that they had never had anything like that before.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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NY 100-83023 (HERBERT MALIBOW)(12-14)

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ALEXANDER C. KIRLINSON, SA (134-91)

NY 694-S

On 7/8/55 NY 694-S advised that recently in discussing the CP Reserve Fund Operation with SAM BROWN, who is active in said operation, he suggested to BROWN the names of several individuals, formerly active in the IWO, as persons who might be employed by PHIL BART in the Reserve Fund Operation. The informant mentioned the name of [redacted] as a likely candidate, whereupon BROWN stated that [redacted] was "a most capable and reliable individual" and that [redacted] had been one of few people who had been in contact with the late WILLIAM WIENER before the latter died. BROWN expressed the opinion that [redacted] might have information concerning WIENER'S operation that is unknown to the CP. (WIENER, before his death, had been in charge of the CP Reserve Fund Operation.)

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Some time later, in the presence of NY 694-S, BROWN suggested to PHIL BART that [redacted] might be useful to the Reserve Fund Operation, mentioning his belief in [redacted] ability and reliability, and the latter's association with WIENER shortly prior to the latter's death.

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BART seemed quite interested in securing [redacted] services, and stated he would arrange to contact the said informant.

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1-NY 100-21785 (SAM BROWN) 46
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Transmit the following Teletype message to: MEMPHIS ... DEFERRED
PHILIP BART, WAS; IS DASH C. REURLET TO BUREAU, MARCH
THIRTYONE FIFTYFIVE CAPTIONED QUOTE CP USA DASH ORGANIZA-
TION UNQUOTE PAREN YOUR FILE ONE HUNDRED DASH FOUR FIVE
NINE CLOSE PAREN. NY PREPARING REPORT ON CAPTIONED SUBJECT.

WISH TO USE INFORMATION IN RELET FURNISHED BY [redacted]

[redacted] ON MARCH TWENTYTHREE FIFTYFIVE, TO SA WILLIAM
H. LAWRENCE CONCERNING MC GURTY'S TRIP TO NYC. MEMPHIS RE-
QUESTED TO ADVISE IF IT IS CURRENTLY NECESSARY TO PROTECT
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TO : SAC, New York
 FROM : Alexander C. Burlinson (SA)
 SUBJECT: PHILIP BART (100-56579) (7-1)
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DATE: 7/14/55

On 7/7/55 NY 694-S reported that in a conversation with Phil Bart on the aforesaid date, the latter said that his wife Connie Bart recently had returned after five years in the CPUSA Underground. According to Bart, he and his wife will reside during the summer "at a place in Brooklyn."

Isidore Wofsy, who is associated with Bart in the C.P. Reserve Fund Operation, was present during the informant's conversation with Bart. Wofsy, addressing a remark to Bart, stated that he had procured a place for "the get-together" on August 2nd and 3rd, 1955. NY 694-S received the impression that Wofsy was referring to a C.P. meeting rather than to a social gathering.

Bart mentioned that he has applied for a driver's license, and then said that he plans to take a two-week vacation. He expects to spend one week of his vacation in New York, and the other week in a trip to Chicago and Detroit, where he hopes to contact old friends. He made no mention of the date of the aforesaid vacation.

With regard to the Reserve Fund Operation, Bart stated that he is having trouble: Stanley Levison, who is associated with the Reserve Fund Operation, is in a "rut". He has produced "nothing new in the way of donors or new businesses".

Bart desires that Sam Brown, Isidore Wofsy, and NY 694-S operate as a separate unit in the Reserve Fund, having no association with Stanley Levison. Wofsy is to have over-all supervision of the group, and is to arrange that he, Brown, and NY 694-S be in regular contact. Periodically the three should meet with Bart.

At the present time NY 694-S is to maintain contact with Max Marnet, C.P. Reserve Fund member who is employed as a customers-man and clerk in the brokerage office of Franklin, Meyer, and Barnett at 120 Broadway. Marnet, who was formerly active in the N.Y. State C.P., is now officially out of the C.P. State operation, and will work exclusively for the CP Reserve Fund which is a National Office operation. With \$2500. given to Marnet by Bart through NY 694-S, Marnet is "playing the market" for the benefit of the CP Reserve Fund. Within the past few weeks he has made a profit of \$800 on the

1-100-74560 (CPUSA Funds) (7-1)
 1-100-21785 (Sam Brown) (6)
 1-100-12959 (Connie Bart) (7-1)
 1-100-19679 (Isidore Wofsy) (7-1)

1-100-111180 (Stanley Levison) (7-1)
 1-100-115200 (Max Marnet) (12-13)
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original C.P. Reserve Fund investment of \$2500.00.

Marnet's system of investment is this: He buys and sells stock for a quick profit, being satisfied with a 2 or 3 point profit. He follows the private operation of members of his company, and buys and sells as they do. It is Marnet's opinion - and also that of Bart - that the Reserve Fund will receive considerable profit from its Wall St. stock speculations.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-79) DATE: 7/15/55
FROM : SAC, New York (100-80634) (#12-14)
SUBJECT: CP, USA, FARM MATTERS
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On 6/16/55, [redacted] orally advised SAs BRYAN JINNETT of Newark and RICHARD H. BLASSEN of NY of the following:

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Informant visited NYC on [redacted]
[redacted] who have been associated with CP farm activity.

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(1-100- (CARL WINTER))
(1-100- (JOHN GATES))
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(1-100- [redacted])

1-NY [redacted] (#7-4)

1-NY [redacted] (#12-13)

1-NY [redacted] (#12-16)

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[redacted] did not know what was being done on the farm front, if anything, and [redacted] CP farm work was being held in abeyance.

[redacted] the NY State CP Farm Commission is comatose and nothing is being done on the farm front by the CP at the present time either nationally or locally.

[redacted] Informant advised he was unable to reach [redacted] b7D [redacted] who has also been active in farm activity for the Party, on [redacted] and it was the opinion of the informant that he must have been tied up in other matters.

However, [redacted] described the status of CP work on the farm front.

Informant advised [redacted] WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and to the National Committee of the CP [redacted]

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- 1-NY 100-9365 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) (#12-10)
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- 1-NY 100-27539 (CARL WINTER) (#7-5)
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- 1-NY 100-23825 (SEN D'VIS) (#7-5)
- 1-NY 100-18065 (JACOB STACHEL) (#7-5)
- 1-NY 100-81752 (COMPROMISE, NY) (#7-5)

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Informant advised he would [redacted] and, therefore, stated he would retain [redacted] at this time.

Informant advised he would not [redacted] PHIL BIRT of the National Administrative Committee as BIRT, he felt, would only [redacted] and would not take any action on it.

Informant advised that "In view of the lull which may be ascribed to the CP's normal state of confused way of working or at worse a suspicion on their part that something is wrong in this field of work which leads them to depress activity for the time being, it is first necessary to try to uncover a few facts or clues which would determine which factors are holding up activity on the farm front." For this purpose, informant advised, as stated above, that [redacted] WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and the National Committee of the Party [redacted]

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Informant advised he saw [redacted] recently and she affirmed that the magazine "March of Labor" would apparently soon close. The "March of Labor" office in NYC is "scratching" to meet its payrolls. The CP feels the "March of Labor" has outlived its purpose and unless the party takes a hand to keep the magazine going, which it has not done so far, the magazine will soon give up. Informant pointed out, however, that no decision has been made to abandon the magazine as yet and the Party may allow it to continue for awhile. Informant advised, however, if the magazine becomes a burden financially it will soon be given up.

Informant advised there has not been any indication from anyone in the Party that he has been in contact with that the following CP recently released leaders are doing any CP work: EUGENE DENNIS, CARL WINTER, JOHN GATES, BEN DAVIS, JACOB STACHEL.

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If any of the above set forth information as furnished by [redacted] is used in a report or disseminated outside the bureau, it must be carefully paraphrased in order to protect the identity of the informant.

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PHILIP BART, WAS., IS - C. REURTEL FOURTEENTH INSTANT.

IDENTITY OF [REDACTED] MUST BE PROTECTED. THIS

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, Newark (100-2974)
FROM: SAC, New York (100-66211)
SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE
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DATE: 7/18/55

NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC. advised that on 3/18/55, LEON WOFSY, in conversation with MARTHA STONE, said that he had seen [redacted] the previous night. He said that he may have answered one question wrong at the hearing (believed to be the hearing of LYL officers before the SACB). He said he formulated a question in such a way as to appear to indicate that thesis was the most important thing. He was afraid that it may have given them (presumably the SACB) an interpretation which he did not mean to convey.

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The informant advised that later that same day MARTHA STONE remarked at CP National Headquarters that she had received a telephone call from JOE BRANDT the previous day and that he said he had read about the Mid-west in the daily worker. He said he had attended a meeting on the previous Wednesday night and held his head to think that "four top guys" were now mad at

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1 - Newark (100-) (JOE BRANDT) (RM)
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1 - New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE) (RM)
1 - Chicago (61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (RM)
1 - NY 100-54899 (LEON WOFSY) (12-14)
1 - NY 100-15828 (JOE BRANDT) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-81491 (HARRY HAYWOOD) (12-15)
1 - NY 100-96899 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (7-5)
1 - NY 100-9984 (AL BLUMBERG) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-1)
1 - NY 100-87211 (CP. USA FACTIONALISM) (12-14)
1 - NY 100- [redacted] (7-6)

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them. MARTHA remarked she could wring his neck for saying this over the telephone.

MARTHA then mentioned her talk with HARRY HAYWOOD and the discussion with CLAUDE and AL (believed to be CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and AL BLUMBERG) and stated that HARRY "jumped all over the place and would not stick to his guns".

The informant further advised that MARTHA STONE told GEORGE WATT that she does not confide in people, however, she had noticed a big change in her husband since she had been back. She said that he revolts against her late hours and everything in general. GEORGE remarked that it was natural for her husband to be upset and disturbed when she had been away so long. However, MARTHA said her husband had gotten involved with a woman while she was gone, but that was not the trouble. Rather she said that she could not get EMIL to move out of Jersey and her returning to Jersey would not solve matters. She said she attributed her trouble to her projection to the national level of the party and stated that was what was bothering him. She said they used to attend county organizational meetings together, but that now he seemed to think that she had become too big for him.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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Director, FBI (100-3-94)

July 18, 1955

SAC, Detroit (100-17226)

CP - USA UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS
DETROIT DIVISION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On June 25, 1955, an anonymous source closely associated with PHIL BART, National CP-USA functionary, made available to Agents of the Detroit Office a notebook which belonged to BART for a short period of time. Extreme care should be used in reporting the information due to the sensitive position of the source.

One page of instant notebook contained the following information set forth verbatim:

"Matthew Knox - Birmingham - confiscating lot at home - searching for 'stolen radio' - 2 yrs. on membership - evidence (illegible) now on appeal to state appeals court.

"Two sisters & mother & father in rural Ala search by state found 'Am way' and arrested - told have been released according to M -

"According to Cap - there was sale of 'boot leg' whiskey to soldiers - following day visited by sheriff & arrested - sheriff searched house - found lit. & old mem book - charged - mom. - told by sheriff if paid \$250 everything would be OK - released on bail put up by land owner - they are share croppers -

"Discrepancy in stories by the two who obtained reports. Proposed wide campaign - publicity in preparation for trial in Oct - Do not have further facts - was to be followed up by Cap - whom arrested -

" '47 card"

Detroit indices are negative on MATTHEW KNOX and the identity of M and CAP are unknown to the Detroit Office.

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cc 2-Birmingham (Enclosure 1) (REGISTERED)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM * UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284)
 FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-22157)
 SUBJECT:

DATE: 7/19/55

PHILIP BART, was.
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
SMITH ACT OF 1940

(100- New York)

[redacted], Pa.,
 has previously furnished information concerning the above-captioned subject.
 [redacted] was formerly known as [redacted]. He served as an informant for the Philadelphia Office from [redacted]

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[redacted] is now available to testify in any legal or administrative proceedings.

The information supplied by [redacted] concerning the above-captioned subject is set forth in the following reports:

Report of SA ALBERT RUDNICK dated 12/26/51, at Philadelphia
 as T-10.

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Summary report of SA [redacted] dated 3/7/47, at
 Philadelphia as PM-2.

Supplemental prosecutive summary report of SA THOMAS F.
 CARRIG dated 6/24/55, at Philadelphia as [redacted]

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cc: [redacted] Sub-C

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SA JAMES E. REILLY

JEAN SMITH
SM-C

NY 1475-S* advised that on 5/6/55, JEAN SMITH contacted the National Headquarters of the CP USA via interoffice phone and asked that PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) be informed that she was there.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.

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PHILIP BART, was IS-C. SMITH ACT OF 1940.

NY 1475-S* has advised that the subject is planning a trip to Chicago and intends to leave NYC on 8/4/55. To date informant is unable to furnish the means of travel, purpose of the trip, or length of stay. No indication as to whether the subject will contact CG 5824-S*.

Chicago is requested to alert logical sources and furnish any pertinent info to NY.

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2 - Chicago (100-2644) (RM)

~~NY 1475-S~~ [REDACTED]

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Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Newark (100-2974)
FROM : SAC, New York (100-66211)(7-5)
SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE
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DATE: 7/20/55

NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, advised that on 4/25/55, [] (believed to be []) attempted to contact MARTHA (believed to be MARTHA STONE) at CP National Headquarters. PHIL BART told her that MARTHA would not be available until 12 Noon or 1:00 PM if she came in at all. He said, however, that he would be in all day. [] asked PHIL to tell MARTHA that she would be in around lunch time.

The informant advised that later that same morning GEORGE WATT, at the CP National Headquarters, remarked that [] was at his home the previous Saturday night, (presumably 4/23/55).

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The informant further advised that early that same afternoon [] came into CP Headquarters and spoke with PHIL BART. She asked if MARTHA would be on time, and PHIL replied that all that he knew was that MARTHA had a meeting with BILL (believed to be WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) and TRACHTY (believed to be ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG) at CP Headquarters at 2:00 PM that day.

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- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE) (RMA)
- 1 - NY 100-68400 [] (12-10)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL B.RT) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-9365 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-21421 (ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-319 (ROBERT APPEL) (12-10)
- 1 - NY 100-24448 (LILLIAN GATES) (7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-54012 (ELVA LANNON) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-13292 (LESTER RODNEY) (12-16)

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The informant also disclosed that later that same afternoon MARTHA STONE attempted to obtain the telephone number of LILLIAN GATES from BOB APPEL, LEON NELSON, and ELVA LANNON. ELVA told MARTHA that LILLIAN's telephone number is Nevins 6-0121.

The informant further reported that on that same day LESTER RODNEY contacted MARTHA STONE at CP National Headquarters and made arrangements to come over and speak with her at once.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

SAC, New York (100-59327)

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SA JAMES E. REILLY

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NY 1475-S* advised that on 5/9/55, [redacted] (possibly [redacted]) said that the paper should have a Southern page every time. PHIL BART said that they had considered a Southern pamphlet, and that maybe the "Daily" would run a page of Southern news every month or so. She said there should be a Southern news and it should be more than once a month.

- 1 - NY 97-169 ("DAILY WORKER") 7-2
① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) 19-A

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Chicago
FROM : SAC, New York (100-80641)(12-14)
SUBJECT: CP, USA, ORGANIZATION
IS - C

DATE: 7/20/55

NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at the National Headquarters of the CP, USA, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, advised that on 4/20/55 PHIL BART at CP National Headquarters talked of proposing a working commission of seven people, including NELLIE (believed to be LEON NELSON) and other top people. The idea of this commission was to bring the party into touch with most parts of the country. He said that the commission would meet every two weeks or so, and that a regional conference would be held every two months bringing in organizational heads and district organizers. He mentioned two conferences, such as, the Eastern which would include the region from Boston to Baltimore and a Mid-Western including the region from Pittsburgh to Chicago. He spoke of this working commission as covering education, Negro, trade and other matters. He said that they should embrace both forms, such as the form they had in the Negro Commission, a smaller

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- 1 - Chicago (61-867)(CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)(RM)
- 1 - Newark (100-2974)(MARTHA STONE)(RM)
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795)(MARTHA STONE)(RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-) (CP, USA, ORGANIZATION)(RM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (100-) (CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION)(RM)
- 1 - NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE)(7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)(7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON)(7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-81491 (HARRY HAYWOOD)(12-15)
- 1 - NY 100-62509 (DOXEY WILKERSON)(12-11)
- 1 - NY 100-9984 (ALBERT BLUMBERG)(7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT)(7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-96174 (WALTER BRYANT)(7-1)
- 1 - NY 100-80640 (CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION)(12-14)

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body which keeps on top of problems and embraces a larger group. According to the informant at this point, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT said he agreed that they should fight for the collected approach and that the people not involved in the actual operations, did not really seem to take a responsibility on these matters.

At this point, according to the informant, CLAUDE spoke with HARRY HAYWOOD and asked him if he had his thesis prepared for that evening. HARRY replied "so you can chop me down." HARRY then remarked that the people in the "underground" do not have contact with the masses and they do not know their problems. He said that he saw Negroes every day on the streets and in the shops. CLAUDE said that he was out among the masses more when he was in the "underground", then he was at the present time. He remarked "you should have seen BRYANT (possibly WALTER BRYANT) on the corner of 125th Street last night." He later referred to BRYANT as being from Harlem. CLAUDE mentioned that HARRY'S article would be printed. HARRY stated that that would be all that a man could want and that after the discussion he would have a few things to say. He said that maybe he was wrong on this, but that he had been wrong many many times before. He wondered, however, if at this time he was being victimized. He said that DOXEY (believed to refer to DOXEY WILKERSON) had told him that the Jefferson School did not need the two courses he was teaching, and HARRY remarked "this sort of thing burns me up."

The informant further advised that CLAUDE stated that when he had been in Los Angeles, he was dissatisfied with the Sub-Committee and "the guy". He said they decided on the spot to bring together the State, County and the Sub-Committee. He then said that from this time on he is not going to be frightened by anyone with the question of white chauvinism. He referred to a State Board meeting in "Frisco" and said that GEORGIA (phonetic) had brought up the question of white chauvinism. CLAUDE also said that in six months they would reexamine Los Angles' leadership, and remarked that a whole county leadership was on probation.

CLAUDE continued by saying that in all the time since he had been in the party he had not seen so much confusion on the Negro question. He said that white chauvinism has always

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been a problem, but was never so important as bureaucracy. CLAUDE further stated that at the present time there was only one Negro district organizer in the party. He also said that they invited 18 people to meet with him with the Negro Commission while in Los Angeles.

The informant then advised that AL BLUMBERG stated that he had a motion to make for the next two months legislative struggles, namely that they should take up inoculation, the \$1.25 minimum, the strengthening of FEPC, the McCarran-Walter Act and Peace and Quemoy. MARTHA STONE then proposed that a National Legislative Conference be held in early September instead of August, as it had been the previous year. She said that she also would propose that an NAC, with a few District Organizers invited in, for June, at which time they would pin point legislative activities. According to the informant GEORGE WATT then stated that he agreed with MARTHA's national conference proposal. MARTHA then asked if the five legislative proposals of AL's were to be worked on and the entire group responded with a "yes".

MARTHA then summed up by saying that they had agreed on the NAC meeting for June to be followed by the National Legislative Conference in September, tentatively for 9/2/55. She said that the Secretariat would meet at 1:30 PM, 5/2/55, on the McCarran-Walter Act, and that the next session of the N.C after Tuesday and Wednesday (presumably 5/3/55 and 5/4/55) would be Monday, 5/9/55, rather than Tuesday the 10th, because of CLAUDE's schedule. She said at the latter meeting they would take up the youth question.

MARTHA then stated that she would prefer to postpone the meeting for that night with HARRY (believed to be HARRY HOLLOWOOD) from 7 to 8 o'clock so that she would have time to read over his article. She told HARRY that she had his "master-piece" with her.

HARRY then talked to CLAUDE and stated that anything that CLAUDE wanted him to do he would abide by, and he also apologized for his conduct of the morning. He remarked, however, "you're putting me in the freezer."

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-88)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18963)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
FACTIONALISM
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 7-20-55

Care should be used in reporting the following information
in order to protect the identity of the informant.

The following information was orally furnished to SA JOHN E. KEATING by CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on July 15, 1955:

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- 4 - Indianapolis (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-) (CP - USA, FACTIONALISM)
 - (1 - 100-) (EMANUEL BLUM)
 - (1 - 100-5592) (KATHERINE HYNDMAN)
 - (1 - 100-8557) (FANNIE NORRICK)
- ④ - New York (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-87221) (CP - USA, FACTIONALISM)
 - (1 - 100-56579) (PHIL BART)
 - (1 - 100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS)
 - (1 - 100-269) (HENRY WINSTON)
- 1 - Philadelphia (100-) (CP - USA, ORGANIZATION) (REGISTERED)
- 3 - Pittsburgh (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - 100-) (CP - USA, FACTIONALISM)
 - (1 - 100-) (COMMITTEE TO END SEDITION LAWS)
 - (1 - 100-) (STEVE NELSON)
- 1 - CG A) 134-46
- 1 - CG 100- (COMMITTEE TO END SEDITION LAWS)
- 1 - CG 100-19490 (CP - USA, NATIONAL GROUPS COMMISSION)
- 1 - CG 100-24729 (EMANUEL BLUM)
- 1 - CG 100-3952 (GIL GREEN)
- 1 - CG 100-11652 (JIM KELLER)
- 1 - CG 100-11900 (LOIS MUCCI)
- 1 - CG 100-4062 (RALPH SHAW)
- 1 - CG 100-3960 (BILL BENNETT)
- 1 - CG 100-2583 (JOSEPH WEBER)

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Feud Between STEVE NELSON
and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT

It is to be noted that CG 5824-S has recently furnished information from CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT that LIGHTFOOT had received a letter from STEVE NELSON in which NELSON criticized the Illinois - Indiana District of the Communist Party for not doing enough in behalf of the Committee to End Sedition Laws. The informant advised that LIGHTFOOT considered this letter a personal attack upon him. LIGHTFOOT also told the informant that STEVE NELSON is in contact with JOE WEBER, FANNIE NORRICK, RALPH SHAW and KATHERINE HYNDMAN, all of whom are considered factionalists by LIGHTFOOT, although KATHERINE HYNDMAN did turn over to the Illinois - Indiana CP District a letter she had received from NELSON.

CP Evaluation of RALPH SHAW

LIGHTFOOT instructed CG 5824-S to see RALPH SHAW. LIGHTFOOT told the informant that the CP suspects SHAW, inasmuch as he is not carrying his weight in the Party, that he gave up some CP work that he was supposed to do, refused to assume responsibility and criticized the Illinois - Indiana District of the CP for not doing enough in behalf of FRANK MUCCI during the latter's long illness prior to his death. LIGHTFOOT also told the informant that SHAW is encouraging factionalism.

Argument Between MANNY BLUM and RALPH SHAW

CG 5824-S advised that he had been told by MANNY BLUM that at a party given for JIM KELLER on Saturday evening, June 25, 1955, he, BLUM, had an argument with RALPH SHAW involving an analysis of the economic situation in the United States. According to MANNY BLUM, RALPH SHAW accused the CP of miscalculating the economic trends and stated that the CP leadership is incapable of making a correct analysis of the current economic situation. BLUM told the informant that he told SHAW that the latter could have his own opinion on the economic situation but that he is guilty of developing theories of exceptionalism similar to those of EARL BROWDER. BLUM stated that he really criticized SHAW for attacking the CP leadership, stating that SHAW was guilty of factionalism.

Meeting Between RALPH SHAW and CG 5824-S

CG 5824-S stated that he saw RALPH SHAW at the annual Communist picnic held on the Fourth of July. At that time CG 5824-S, in accordance with instructions he had received from CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, told SHAW that he wanted to see him. CG 5824-S stated that he was of the opinion that RALPH SHAW

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had become worried about his conversation with MANNY BLUM and believed that he was up on charges by the CP since he agreed to meet CG 5824-S on Thursday, July 7, 1955.

The informant advised that he told SHAW that he wanted to talk with him frankly, that informant had been told by this CP district leadership that SHAW had been refusing assignments and that one concrete example had been given to the informant, namely, that SHAW turned down the chairmanship of the National Groups Commission. CG 5824-S stated that he told RALPH SHAW that he knew of the story of the argument between SHAW and BLUM, but that there were no charges against SHAW. The informant told SHAW that he wanted to know where SHAW stands, how he feels about things subjectively, what personal "beefs" he has about mistreatment, whether he has any political disagreements with the CP, and whether these political disagreements, if any, are responsible for SHAW's lack of activity in behalf of the CP.

CG 5824-S stated that he then had to listen to the story of RALPH SHAW's life. SHAW at one point in the conversation stated that he would stake his 25 years of activity in the CP against anyone.

SHAW stated that he was sent to Scranton, Pennsylvania, from St. Louis (informant believed that this would be in the late 1940s). SHAW stated that he was part of the Eastern Pennsylvania District of the CP, with headquarters in Philadelphia, and was to work among the anthracite coal workers in the Scranton area. He stated that he was of the opinion that he should have been left in St. Louis and that he told HENRY WINSTON, EUGENE DENNIS and PHIL BART that he should not go to Scranton because his wife was too ill to take the necessary climbing in a hilly city such as Scranton. SHAW stated that they told him that there were no hills in Scranton and that he had to accept this assignment. SHAW related that while he was in Scranton, PHIL BART and later ED STRONG were the leaders of the Eastern Pennsylvania CP District and that he, SHAW, and his family were mistreated all the time he was in the Eastern Pennsylvania CP District. He finally told ED STRONG that he had to get out of Scranton. SHAW stated that inasmuch as he was always raising problems with ROBERT KLONSKY, ED STRONG eventually agreed to release him.

Regarding his assignment to Scranton and his mistreatment by the CP, SHAW stated that he believes that EUGENE DENNIS was responsible for this and that DENNIS is angry with SHAW. SHAW stated that at one National CP Convention during a committee meeting, someone either nominated EUGENE DENNIS for some position or stated DENNIS' opinion about something. At this point SHAW stated, "Who the hell is DENNIS?" SHAW admitted that this sounded like he was speaking disparagingly about DENNIS, but actually

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at the time he did not know who DENNIS was. At any rate, the story got back to DENNIS, who at the time was working closely with HENRY WINSTON, and SHAW consequently blames DENNIS for the rough treatment he received from the CP.

As a price for being released from the Eastern Pennsylvania District of the CP, SHAW was told that he would have to go into the underground in Ohio. Again he protested this assignment because of the illness of his wife. SHAW stated that the CP set up an appointment for him in Cleveland and an alternate appointment in either Dayton or Toledo in 1950. SHAW told the informant that while he did not want to keep these appointments since he did not want this assignment, he actually carried through with the plans for the appointments at the agreed time both in Cleveland and in the alternate city, but when his contact did not show at either city at the exact moment, he took off and thus missed the contacts in each city and came to Chicago in 1950.

SHAW stated that when he arrived in Chicago his wife was ill and that he had practically nothing to live on. He stated that he saw GIL GREEN, who promised to do something for him and actually did give him a few dollars from time to time but on the whole he had a very rough time. Therefore, he decided to learn a trade as a machinist and to drop Party activity. SHAW stated that the Party ignored him, that he eventually got enough money to permit his wife to have an operation and she survived although at the time the physicians gave her only a few months to live.

SHAW stated that he was subjective, that the CP did not care whether he lived or died, and the informant stated that the only one he had any kind of a good word for was GIL GREEN.

Continuing, SHAW stated that in 1953, and not recently as the informant had been told, the CP in this district appointed him to take over national groups work. SHAW stated that he told the Party that since he was working as a machinist he could not do too much for the Party, but that if the Party gave him a committee he would do something in the way of CP activity. SHAW told the informant that he not only was not given a committee but that the Party never approached him again regarding this assignment.

According to the informant, he then asked SHAW if SHAW is a current CP member attached to an organization and paying dues. SHAW told the informant that he has not been attached to any CP organization and that he was paying dues up to over one year ago but not since that time, although he was not too specific about this matter of dues payments.

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At this point in the conversation, SHAW told CG 5824-S that it is his personal belief that four out of every five persons in the CP at the present time are "stool pigeons" and that he mistrusts most of all those CP members who were away from the Party for a while and came back into the Party.

CG 5824-S then told SHAW that he was not meeting with SHAW for the purpose of judging him but to tell him that the CP expects more of him and that he has to assume some responsibility. SHAW complained that he is sick, that he has ulcers, that it is necessary for him to care for his health, that his mother-in-law is living with them, that they do not have enough room and that he has to try to find a new place to live. Despite the statements, however, he stated that he will pay CP dues, is willing to be assigned to a shop club but that he cannot do much more. He stated that he wanted to see CG 5824-S previously, but did not want to cry on the informant's shoulder.

The informant asked him if he would be Chairman of or a member of the committee in this district for the repeal of the sedition laws. SHAW again stated that he did not want to do more than pay dues and be assigned to a shop club. SHAW stated that while the persons he blames for his mistreatment by the CP are not a part of the Illinois - Indiana District, he will not work for the CP full-time but will do the best he can. He stated that he is doing some work among the Slavs and Russians and that his child belongs to a Russian society. He further stated that his wife is employed as a reader of letters for some contest and that she wants to keep away from the CP.

The informant advised that he told SHAW that he would take up SHAW's case with the Organization Commission, that SHAW would be assigned to some CP shop club, but that informant could not say whether the CP would think that he is doing enough for the Party. SHAW agreed to see the informant from time to time. Informant further advised that he reported his conversation with RALPH SHAW to BILL SENNETT, acting Organizational Secretary of the Illinois - Indiana District in the absence of MOLLIE WEST who is on vacation. SENNETT indicated to the informant that he was not satisfied with SHAW's answers and that he wanted SHAW to be on the Committee to End Sedition Laws.

Informant's Opinion of RALPH SHAW

CG 5824-S stated that in his opinion, RALPH SHAW is very dissatisfied with the CP because of his mistreatment by the Party and because his arch enemies in St. Louis, such as BILL SENTNER, were put

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in positions of leadership. The informant believes that when TITO revolted against STALIN that inasmuch as SHAW is a South Slav, TITO's revolt strengthened SHAW's antagonistic views toward the CP. Informant stated that SHAW criticized the CP for a lack of a cadre policy and that at the time SHAW talked radically especially about JOHN LAUTNER. SHAW stated that LAUTNER can create problems and at times cursed LAUTNER and TITO. The informant feels, however, that a lot of this may have been put on for effect. In the opinion of the informant, SHAW's enthusiasm for the CP and the CP leadership has worn off and measuring by the informant's own experience, SHAW is not friendly toward the CP, he has ideological cracks, the basis of which may be the illness in his family and the failure of the CP to be sympathetic during this family illness. The informant is of the opinion that SHAW will either have to do something in behalf of the Party or the Party will remove him from Party membership.

CP Assignment for RALPH SHAW

CG 5824-S orally advised SA KEATING on July 18, 1955, that he had learned on that date from BILL SENNETT that SENNETT had seen RALPH SHAW, promised to give SHAW an assignment in a CP shop club and that SHAW had also agreed to work on the committee in this district for the repeal of the sedition laws. SENNETT also promised SHAW that he would get LOIS MUCCI to act as Secretary of this commission and to assist SHAW.

Informant stated that this entire matter will be given further consideration at the next meeting of the Illinois - Indiana CP District Secretariat.

SAC, New York (100-7658)20-15

7/21/55

SA JAMES E. REILLY

LEMENT U. HARRIS
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According to NY 1475-S*, on 5/31/55, HARRIS (possibly LEMENT U. HARRIS) contacted PHIL BART at the CP National headquarters and told him that he would not be in.

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SAC, New York (100-106742)

SIDNEY LIPSHIRES
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NY 1475-S* and NY 693-S*, both of whom are in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, advised that on 7/11/55, ANDY (believed to be ANDY REMES) contacted PHIL BART at the CP National Headquarters and told him that he was leaving the next morning to go up North. He asked PHIL whether or not the "guy from there" showed up that day because he was supposed to be in town and was supposed to get in touch with him, (ANDY). PHIL stated that he had not been in as yet but he would notify ANDY if he did come in. (it is believed that the unidentified individual above refers to SIDNEY LIPSHIRES).

Both informants also advised that later that same morning ANDY contacted PHIL at CP National Headquarters and told him that SID (believed to be SID LIPSHIRES) had gotten in touch with him and planned to spend most of the next day with him. ANDY suggested that since SID had all that time available perhaps "we" could do "our" business here (believed to be the offices of New Century Publishers Incorporated). PHIL said that he could not see SID the next day because he had appointments until 7:00 or 8:00 the next evening, and besides, he was going out of town this afternoon and would not be back until about 10 or 11:00 PM tonight (7/11/55). ANDY stated that SID would not be available until this evening (7/11/55) and then the next day until late afternoon only. ANDY then decided that he would deal with SID himself on "most of the questions."

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- 1 - NY 100-14899 (ANDY REMES)7-5
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)19-A
- 1 - NY 100-83023 (HERBERT MALIBOW)12-14
- 1 - NY 100-82751 (PRIEDA NORMAN)20-15
- 1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON)7-5
- 1 - NY 100-10989 (NEW CENTURY PUBLISHERS INCORPORATED)7-2

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NY 693-S* advised that later on 7/11/55, ANDY again contacted PHIL and asked whether or not "we" would want "our friend" in for around the first of August. PHIL said that he would be informed of that. ANDY stated that he thought he would be able to let him know in case "we" did want him in.

According to NY 1475-S* on 7/12/55, ANDY, at CP National Headquarters, contacted LEON (believed to be LEON NELSON) at the offices of the New Century Publishers Incorporated. He told LEON that he expected SID (believed to be SIDNEY LIPSHIRES) to come in there to see him (ANDY). LEON said that there had been a SID there previously and that PRIEDA (believed to be PRIEDA NORMAN) had spoken with him. ANDY said that his SID was from Boston and was to arrive at about 1:00 PM. LEON remarked that it may have been another SID. ANDY then asked him to tell SID to come to CP headquarters when he arrived.

NY 1475-S* further advised that ANDY on 7/12/55, contacted HERB (believed to be HERBERT HALIBOW) at the National Headquarters of the LYL, 159 W. 23rd St., NYC. He told HERB that his friend (possibly referring to SID LIPSHIRES) was coming over and asked that HERB come to CP Headquarters at 2:00 PM. HERB said that he could not do so because he had an appointment downstairs (presumably at CP NY State Headquarters) at 2:00 PM. ANDY then told HERB that it was absolutely necessary that he be there.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informants' identity.

SAC, New York (100-34032)20-11

7/21/55

SA JAMES E. REILLY

LOU BURNHAM
IS-C

According to NY 693-S#, on 7/12/55, PHIL BART, at the National Headquarters of the CP USA, contacted LOU BURNHAM and told him they were waiting for him. BURNHAM said that he would be able to be there in approximately one hour.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-26603) 12-14 DATE: 7/22/55
FROM : SA. JAMES E. REILLY
SUBJECT: NEW YORK STATE CP
IS-C

According to NY 1474-S*, on 4/13/55, LEON NELSON, at
NY State CP headquarters, asked BERNIE (believed to be

- 1 - NY 100-35330 (EDWARD CORSI) 7-6
- 1 - NY 100-22066 (BERNARD FRIEDLANDER) 7-6
- 1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-50806 (GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-26603-Sub C 43 (BROOKLYN SEC. OF CP) 12-11
- 1 - NY 100-84984 (HAROLD LEIBERMAN) 12-11
- 1 - NY 100-319 (ROBERT APPEL) 12-10
- 1 - NY 100-80640 (CP, USA NEGRO QUESTION) 12-14
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BERNARD FRIEDLANDER) if he had seen a doctor. He then suggested that BERNIE go to Brooklyn to see LEON's brother, whom the informant indicated was named MARK or MARV, both phonetic, and spend a couple of dollars.

NELSON said he had spoken to GEORGE (believed to be GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY) about the "beaten guy" in Brooklyn. NELSON said the guy had a chip on his shoulder and felt that it was beneath his dignity to be a regional organizer after being a furriers' organizer. He said the fellow had not applied himself and he was in a mess with the comrades. NELSON said that he would take the matter up with the staff on Friday (presumably 4/15/55) and he mentioned that the guy was ready to start working.

NELSON also said they were having trouble with HAL LIBERMAN who had been having a difficult time finding work and finally took a night job. NELSON said he had been trying to get him placed upstate so he could start out fresh, and also asked if it was possible to get him a job in an auction shop, maybe on the board, (possibly referring to the Furriers' Joint Board). NELSON said that LEON (believed to refer to LEON STRAUS) and everyone was interested in getting a good cadre in there.

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Continuing, NELSON remarked that they did not need as many people around "here" (referring to possibly NY State CP headquarters) and BERNIE said that he agreed with him and that either he himself could get out and find a place to function as perhaps in this upstate deal, or BOB (possibly BOB APP'L) could go into "fur".

NELSON then said that they were talking about a secretary on the Negro commission, four fifths of which were on a full time basis. He then said that if it could be worked out that "he" remain as organizational secretary, BERNIE might be able to work a deal like the one HANK FANISH had. NELSON said the Negro commission might prove a real spot for BOB because they needed a strong white force there, and then perhaps they could find another spot for "her". He said FAYE (believed to be FAYE VEDRO) needed a regional organizer for Brownsville. He then asked "what about DAVE MILLER?" BERNIE said that the latter had left his work and was going to printing school.

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BERNIE said he was for streamlining the Board. NELSON said that SI (believed to refer to SIMON GERSON) could not be considered and then added that [] (believed to be []) had not started as yet.

NELSON and BERNIE then discussed the printing of 50,000 leaflets and mentioned the Lenient (phonetic) Press in Brooklyn.

At this point NELSON returned to discussing his brother and stated that he had been in jail for two months and that he still plagued him and had given him the water repellent raincoat which he was presently wearing.

At this point, according to the informant, NELSON address/ISIDORE WOFSY and spoke of HATTIE (believed to be HATTIE CHARNEY) as being a former school teacher in the Bronx and said that she had collected money from people she knew while she was a teacher. He told WOFSY that everyone from Queens County had a special name, for example: P.S., N.H. and so forth.

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He then told BOB APPEL that HANK (believed to be HENRY FARASH) was out raising bail. He said he did not know where he had heard this but possibly he had heard it from AL TERESTMAN.

NELSON then said that PHIL, (believed to be PHIL BART) WOFSY, SAM (possibly SAM BARRON) and himself had met the previous Friday night (presumably 4/8/55). He said that each wife took money and indiscriminately paid it out to those whom they remembered had given. NELSON remarked that they now had more receipts than they had money. He said that it was quite confusing why the Bronx had such a small figure in the bail fund for the 13 and then he mentioned the name JOHN LAVIN. He said that IRV from the Bronx (possibly IRVING SEID) walked in the previous day and showed receipts for \$300 from [redacted] while they had no records thereof of that transaction. He said that such receipts might amount to many thousands of dollars. He remarked that the "Daily Worker" had \$6000 to return. He then said that "this amount" belongs to [redacted] brother-in-law. NELSON said that they should ask HATTIE (believed to be HATTIE CHANEY) if she knew everyone to whom she was to distribute this amount. He also said that WEINSTONE's wife (believed to be MONETTE WEINSTONE) had receipts for money she received. NELSON stated that some of the wives had picked up the money from the jailers. He said that the "national guys" refused to turn over this amount of money to settle these claims since they thought there would be more claims and more demands. He said that GEORGE BLAKE had promised an attorney a \$1000 fee for getting this money back to the people. NELSON remarked that WOFSY and SAM were holding out a specific amount of money.

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NELSON then said that he was not going to give the money to Brooklyn until they could show who was to get their money. He said he would give it to the sections when they found someone who knew to whom the money would go. He said nobody knew who would get the money in the Brownsville and Crown Heights sections, for example. He said that what he did not want to happen was to give the money to Brooklyn and have it go into their treasury and then have people coming in and asking for their money.

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NELSON said the Queens money was mostly earmarked by initials such as P.S., R.F. and AL. APPEL said that JOHNNY (believed to refer to JOHN LAVIN) would not be able to tell who R.F. was. NELSON said then that they would not pay out until they identified all of those people. He then said that at the meeting with the organizational secretaries which was scheduled for the next day, they would send out word to the party that everyone who gave to the "bail of the 13" should turn in their receipts and bring the receipts into BOB APPEL or someone else to be designated and that only at that time would they be paid. He said a \$1000 of the whole amount would go to [redacted]

At this point, NELSON returned to the discussion of the CORSI incident which he said was a real slap at the Republican Party. He said that AL, in the Bronx, (possibly AL TERESTMAN) had worked out a campaign for an Italian Trade Union pamphlet and that this might possibly be the opportunity to organize a Walter-McCarren Committee in the Bronx as they have never had one there. He spoke about promoting a Bi-Partisan meeting in June on the McCarran Immigration Law and inviting CORSI to speak. He also said that ANTONINI (possibly LUIGI ANTONINI) spoke on the radio every Saturday and they should get him to speak out on this matter. He remarked that Manhattan, Queens and Brooklyn had a McCarran Committee.

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At this point, NELSON returned to the discussion of Brooklyn affairs. He told APPEL that he promised [redacted] (possibly [redacted]) that he would send her over to Brooklyn as soon as there was an opening. He said he did not know if Brooklyn was ready to release NAT (possibly NAT SLUTSKY) to the State. At this point, NELSON and APPEL discussed proposals and names for positions, mentioning [redacted] (phonetic) (possibly this name should be [redacted]), HAROLD LEIBERMAN and [redacted] who they said was a salesman around the country.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-5767)

July 22, 1955

SAC, CHICAGO (100-8588)

MARCEL SCHERER
INTERNAL SECURITY - O

Care should be used in reporting the following information
in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on July 16, 1955, that he had received a letter from MARCEL and LENA SCHERER on that date, and in this letter they indicated that they had a meeting on Wednesday evening, July 13, 1955, with PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party, and that the meeting was very friendly and BART promised to contact them again in the near future.

CG 5824-S pointed out that he had been instrumental in arranging this meeting between BART and the SCHERERS in order to get the latter involved in CP activities either on a national basis or in the New York District, inasmuch as the SCHERERS are considered by the informant to be a most excellent source of information available to the informant.

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(1 - 100-56579) (PHIL BART)
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PHILIP BART, was.
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SA of 1940

— It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME _____

ALIASES _____ *7-22-55*

NATIVE BORN _____ NATURALIZED _____ ALIEN _____

COMMUNIST _____ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY _____ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE _____

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) _____ Verification Pending _____

TAB FOR DETCOM _____ TAB FOR COMSAB _____ RACE _____ SEX _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PLACE OF BIRTH _____

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-56579)19-A
FROM : SA JAMES E. REILLY
SUBJECT: PHIL BART
IS-C

DATE: 7/21/55

NY 1475-S* advised that on 7/12/55, PHIL BART contacted LEE at the switchboard at CP National Headquarters and asked her to get LOU BURNHAM for him at the offices of Freedom Magazine.

The informant further advised also on 7/12/55, that an unidentified man contacted LEE at CP National Headquarters and asked for SI GERSON. She told him that GERSON was no longer at that office but could be reached at BA 7-5952.

- 1 - NY 100-13473 (SIMON GERSON)12-14
1 - NY 100-34032 (LOU BURNHAM)20-13
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TO : SAC, NY (100-56579)

DATE: 7-20-55

FROM : SA [redacted] (7-5)

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SUBJECT: PHYL BART

JS -C, Smith Act of 1940

On 7-8-55, the Newark Office called Supervisor James T. Neagle and requested that a fisur be placed on the Jefferson School as the Subject, and Charles "Bob" Coe and Lem Harris were supposed to have a meeting there at 1:00 PM that date.

Accordingly, a fisur was instituted on the Jeff School by the writer, and SA's [redacted] and J.L. Martin at 12:30 PM. At 12:56PM, the subject was observed to enter the front door of the Jeff School. At 1:03 PM, "Bob" Coe was observed to enter the same door as Bart.

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Lem Harris was not observed during the time the fisur was maintained from 12:30 to 1:25PM.

A surveillance log has been prepared and is being made an exhibit to this file.

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1-NY 100-66938 (Coe) (12-11)

1-NY 100-7658 (Harris) (12-13)

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7-8-55 by J.T. Neagle

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SAC, New York (100-81675)12-14

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SA JAMES E. REILLY

CP USA PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS
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NY 1475-S* advised on 5/18/55, that PHIL BART spoke about a series of 6 articles, each article consisting of 1500 words and 8 pages. He said these pamphlets would be on the Party program and would run monthly from October through March, 1956.

The informant also advised that later that same day ANDY (believed to be ANDY REMES) contacted PHIL at CP National Headquarters and arranged to meet him the next afternoon.

The informant also advised that on 5/19/55, PHIL BART contacted ANDY who said he would be over at about 3:00 PM that day.

① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)19-A
1 - NY 100-14899 (ANDY REMES)7-5

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-94)
(100-404158)

DATE: July 26, 1955

FROM : SAC, Detroit (100-17226)

SUBJECT: CP - USA UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS
DETROIT DIVISION
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

On June 25, 1955, an anonymous source closely associated with PHIL BART, National CP-USA functionary, made available to Agents c' the Detroit Office material that was in the possession of PHIL BART for a short period of time. Among this material were thirteen typewritten pages pertaining to PATRICIA BLAU.

Extreme care should be used in reporting this information due to the sensitive position of the Informant.

On the back of page one of the eight page report of PATRICIA BLAU appears the following pencil notation:

"Please let us know as quickly as possible the determination on this. /s/ Art"

It is not known if ART refers to ARTHUR BARY or ARCHIE BROWN.

The thirteen pages referred to above are set forth verbatim as follows:

"Patricia Blau. Born Patricia Bell

"Born in Canada. In 1919, at age of 8, whole family went to England, then France to join father who got job over there after World War I. He worked for Century British Timber Co.
JCB:wjs (13)

cc: 3-Denver (Enclosures -13)(REGISTERED)

(100-6029)

(100-4616)

(100-4576)

2-San Francisco (100-37517)
(61-398)

② New York (100-96985)
(100-56579)

DE 100-22406 (PATRICIA BLAU)
100-14627 (PHIL BART)

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"in Latvia and Poland. In 1926, at age of 15, came back to New York and went to school. Quit because of financial difficulties and in 1927 went to work for Dr. H. E. M. Wertheim, 4 E. 88th St. New York.

"In 1929 went back to Canada for one year with my family. Worked in Ottawa. In June, 1930 married Joseph D. Salva and returned with him to New York. Lived in New York, except for two visits to husband's folks in Puerto Rico, until 1941. We have [redacted]

"In 1941 separated from Salva and went to live with my mother outside Washington, D. C. (McLean, Va.) Worked at Hecht's Dept. Store. Returned to New York in 1942. Was naturalized in Federal Court, Southern District of New York, I believe in February, 1942.

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"In this same year (April, 1942) obtained a divorce from Salva. Also in this year, joined the C.P. in Yonkers, about same time as Herb Wheeldin left for army.

"Was married to Irving Blau in May, 1943. He had been practising law in Yonkers, N.Y. and was drafted into the army May, 1942. Among people who knew me in Yonkers were Florence Minsky and Edna Fried. Was chairman of Yonkers branch.

"In 1943 transferred from Yonkers Branch to Chelsea Branch. Was working at NMU and living at 929 - 9th Ave. Was on shop committee NMU, volunteer organizer UPOWA (Corn Exchange organizing drive), trade union committee Chelsea Branch and something called Victory Committee with Rita Malone. Went to a Browder state training school (2-week) taught by Alberto Moreau.

"In Sept. 1944, when Irv got a permanent station at Bangor, Maine, [redacted] and I went to live with him there.

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"In 1946 he was transferred to Colorado Springs, Colo. In 1947 I moved to Denver from Colo. Springs and became section organizer in Denver. Later that same year Irv was discharged from army and after discussions with Colorado leadership, decided to stay here and go into industry rather than return to Yonkers and practice law.

"Last time we were in New York was Sept. 1951 on a two-week vacation at which time we spent time with CRC people getting support around Supreme Court appeal of 1948 contempt case, in which we were among seven defendants. On our way back stopped in at CRC in Chicago and packing house locals for same purpose.

"Have not been in Washington, D. C. since 1942 or 1943 at the latest. My father was never in diplomatic service. He died in 1933 and at that time was foreman of a road gang on construction trans-Canada highway. I have never been connected with any foreign government except that I was born a British subject.

"Except for two visits to Puerto Rico and two to Canada (1933 and 1945) have not been outside the US for almost 30 years. (First occasion Canadian visit father's death. Second we drove brother home after he visited us in Bangor.)

"This is in answer to some of the questions raised about Pat B and her husband and some additional information.

"First of all, her husband was quite peeved that all this matter having been brought to his attention quite a while ago still is being raised. He says these same questions were gone into in a 3 hr. interview with Rudy Lambert of San Francisco on about November 24, 1954. Same with Pat. The reports or rather interviews were typewritten. Nevertheless Pat and her husband both were anxious to cooperate and see the matter settled.

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"Pat says the news items saying she took out naturalization papers in 1952 was a misprint and seemed to indicate the Calif. people felt so too. Says she was naturalized in 1942 in Federal District - Foley Square - Manhattan, N.Y. under the name of Patricia Julia Salva, name of her first husband. Pat and her husband became married on May 2, 1943.

"Pat says she had been told in California (San Francisco) that someone there perhaps same source of present rumors had said her folks had been in the diplomatic service. Pat denies this and attached sheet on her background indicates what her folks did.

"Pat says she did not know a person by the name of [redacted] until he appeared in our Smith Act trial at government counsels table. Says she thought however his face seemed familiar but so did another defendant who mistook this agent for someone else.

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"Pat's Husband was never disbarred says he and never did practice law in conneticut although he has two sisters who live there. Her husband attended Brooklyn, Law School between 1936 thru 1939 and received his Bachlor's of Lawyers degree. In April 1939 he was admitted to the New York bar and never practiced anywhere else. Practiced law from 1939 to March 1942 about when he went into army. As a matter of fact says he only practiced in Yonkers where he had a law office. Was member of lawyers guild. His office in Yonkers was 20 So. Bdwy.

"Previous to Brooklyn College he attended Fordham Business College from 1933 to 1935. When asked how did come to go there being Jewish he said one of those things -- heard it was the best place to go and where many had been recommended to go there that it afforded better chances.

"He was drafted into the army and while in for 5 yrs and 8 months conducted orientation courses, handled personal affairs, GI insurance plans and recommended appropriate plans to GI's and later handled or processed court martials. Pat says he was 1st lieutenant in May of 1946. Her husband adds he had just passed captain triaing and became a captain after a study course and examination.

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"His army training shows he was a private for 8 months then went to Officer Candidate School in Miami then to Maine in late 1944 Bangor till then came to Colo Springs-- with the 15th Air Force attending school of legal officers. There he made application for hardship discharge. Questions were asked of him why he went into industry after discharge and since he had been a lawyer. The leadership in Colo. can verify that it was we who asked him to take his place in industry where he could work among the working class and help build a working class party. He became convinced and did so.

"Pat was asked for her naturalization papers. Says she destroyed all identification papers when asked to before becoming unavailable by a Colo. leader who worked out her unavailable status. Says Attorney Gladstein of San Francisco says it might be wise not to get duplicate since this might arouse deportation proceedings. But information can be checked upon.

"Copy of memo prepared by Pat
for use in trial

"Patricia Julia Blau

"Born Fort Smith, Northwest Territories, Canada, Sept. 12, 1911. Father, Arthur John Bell, had come out from Ireland when he was 17 to homestead on Canadian prairies. Failed, and went to work as railroad section hand in Virginia, U.S. Returned to Canada and became a lumberjack, then a timber technician.

"His father had been a Church of England army chaplain, who left the army to become a missionary in South Africa. He died in South Africa leaving three small boys, who returned to Ireland with my grandmother. When my father was 43 he married his second cousin, Lily Adamson. Her father, Alan Adamson, had also come out from Ireland to homestead and became a successful wheat farmer. He later went into the farm implement business and eventually became one of the

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"founders of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. However, none of his money ever filtered down to our side of the family, as my mother broke with them all over her marriage to my father. (She was just 18).

"Father was wounded three times in France during World War I. Family stayed in Stonewall, small Manitoba prairie town. I learned to read looking for his name in daily newspaper casualty list and got deeply ingrained horror of war, which has influenced my thinking ever since.

"After World War I we joined father who was in France as part of troops guarding German prisoners. These prisoners, who were mostly middle-aged family men also made a deep impression on me.

"After demobilization father got a job with Century British Timber Co. and was sent to Riga, Latvia for four years and later to Poland. In Riga we heard a lot about the Russian revolution from both sides and saw the results of starvation as the aftermath of German occupation. Father dealt with Soviet trade commissioners as part of his job and they sometimes came to the house and did not seem to be the barbarians described by the white Russian emigres.

"Was sent to school in England for two years, returning to Poland for vacations. Father's job ended and we came to New York in 1927. Went to High School a year and then quit because of lack of money at home and went to work as assistant in doctor's office.

"In 1939, at 18, married Joseph D. Salva who has worked for Western Union ever since he came from Puerto Rico at the age of 17. Had [redacted]

[redacted]. Struggled to live on \$15 a week during the depression, along with half of New York. In 1936 and '39 made two trips to Puerto Rico to visit husband's family. The suffering of the people there caused me deep concern. In 1941 I divorced Joseph Salva and went to Washington, D. C. to live with my mother. She took care of the children while I worked. I also did volunteer work for Mrs. Roosevelt's Civilian Defense Committee, helping to prepare material on air raid precaution and civilian chemical warfare protection. The project I was helping on concerned documents in the

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"Congressional library. About this time I became a naturalized U.S. citizen. In 1943 I married Irving S. Blau. He had been practicing law in Yonkers, N. Y. and then went into the army.

"In late 1948, having made up my mind, I wanted to devote my life to preventing the horrors of fascism (with its gas-chambers, destruction of millions of women, children and innocent civilians) from ever being repeated here, I decided to join the C.P. It seemed to me to be the most consistent fighter of fascism, and I strongly felt that if the program of collective security it put forth had been adopted, Hitler and Mussolini might never have been able to get started. I was also attracted by the position of the C.P. for full equality for the Negro people and for women. I felt that as a woman I had been made to suffer inequities in my chances to get an education and satisfying job; I had also long been concerned about the denial of elementary civil rights to large sections of the Negro people. Finally, I saw as the future goal for a happy America a planned socialist society, consistent with the scientific development of man, rather than a system which I regard as outmoded and leading only to periodic holocausts of war and depressions.

"In 1943 went to work for National Maritime Union in New York. Helped operate a joint shipping pool with War Shipping Administration, manning American ships under Panamanian and Honduran flags. Chief job was to see that non-discriminatory hiring rules were observed in the shipping of Negro and Latin American seamen, and in general to "keep them sailing". (helped in detecting and eliminating from allied crews pro-fascist Spanish and Portuguese seamen, sent in by axis as spies).

"Was volunteer organizer for United Office and Professional Workers Union and participated in campaigns to raise wages for young women bank tellers, etc. Participated in War Bond Drives and in campaign to open second front. Regularly gave blood to Red Cross, was on a community war bond committee.

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"Late in 1944 went to Bangor, Maine, where my husband was stationed, during final months Roosevelt-Truman campaign. Helped organize citizens' committee for Roosevelt, and was elected Democratic County Committeewoman from Penobscot County.

"Participated in efforts to obtain funds for public housing, passage of a state FEPC, etc. Was delegate to 1945 Democratic State Convention held in Portland, Maine. As member League of Women Voters led discussions on Dumbarton Oaks and other policies to lay foundation for United Nations. Helped institute an interracial forum and Community Center for Negro soldiers in Bangor. Was involved in helping local garment workers' union in their efforts to raise wages for women workers engaged in war production.

"I led a Girl Scout troop in patriotic work collecting books and making hospital aids for wounded soldiers; was moderator of radio forum discussions sponsored by Maine Independent Citizens on such topics as UMT, Wagner-Murray Dingall Bill, FEPC and other measures to preserve the gains made by labor during the early war years.

"In 1946 (May) my husband was transferred to 15th Air Force Headquarters in Colorado Springs. Helped bring speakers interested in preserving and extending war-time unity to the YWCA. Was executive secretary of a large committee for rent control which conducted a successful campaign against the landlord 'freeze-out' plan to cut gas and heat from housing of GI tenants, unless rent control was dropped. Participated in NAACP sponsored test cases to enforce the state Civil Rights Law in public eating places, movies, etc., in the Springs.

"At this time became aware of some of the problems of the Mexican people in Colorado, and began to make a study of their conditions. Attended a three-day conference held on this subject in Los Angeles, which was sponsored by the Communist Party.

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"Moved to Denver in 1947 and participated in the election campaign for Isabel Gonzales, candidate for the City Council on a program of FEPC, recreation and health centers, rent control and public housing, and other measures of benefit to the working people of Denver. Served on a rent control committee with Don Fullen, Arthur Brooks, LeRoy Purdy, etc., as official representative Communist Party. Was campaign manager for William Dietrich, Communist candidate for Mayor, on platform for schools and playgrounds in working class areas, FEPC, rent control, garbage collection and other issues. Participated in campaign against passage Taft-Hartley law, and various others. Took part in relief and DC delegations on behalf of Mexican and Negro mothers.

"In November, 1947, attended a National Training School held in New York. Subjects were Political Economy, Philosophy, American History, History of the Negro People -- also a class in public speaking in which every student was required to memorize the Declaration of Independence.

"In 1948, along with six others was charged with contempt of court for refusing to inform. One-year sentence was later reversed by U.S. Supreme Court.

"In 1949 moved to Pueblo, with my husband and [redacted]

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"In Pueblo, we participated in a number of campaigns against discrimination against the Negro and Mexican people, for a fair employment practice in hiring at the CF&I, against segregation in the municipal swimming pool, etc. I spoke at hearings before the Pueblo City Council on public housing, giving official govt. figures on housing of Mexican people, and showing necessity of construction public projects.

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"Helped organize support for the steel strikers in 1949, helped raise funds and collect food and clothing for the families of striking miners around Trinidad, who were suffering as a result of credit being cut off at CF&I company store.

"Participated in national campaign to get signatures on Stockholm Peace Petition (1950) to outlaw use of atomic weapons.

"Back in Denver in 1951 helped raise funds for delegates to Chicago Peace Conference, which supported the plan for a four-power conference for peaceful negotiation of international differences.

"Took part in wide campaign to bring to justice policeman Delmar Reed, who shot and killed Charles Wilson, a 14 year old Negro child. As part of effort to whitewash Reed and divert attention from the real issue, Attorney Dickerson had me arrested on trumped-up 'contempt' charges. I was sentenced to one day, including time served, and failed to appeal due to lack of funds.

"In August 1951 as a result of the above experience and the fact that there were indications my phone was tapped, and because friends of mine had been visited by the FBI, I became convinced that I could not continue to live by the principles in which I believe without subjecting anyone whom I might visit or talk with to possible loss of job or other reprisals. These principles were the defeat of those McCarthyites who wished to impose a Hitler-form of police state in our country, and the restoration of the individual rights on which our country was founded; against war and to substitute a foreign policy of peaceful negotiation of international difference for threats of atomic mass destruction; 'schools not battleships' -- increase social welfare in order to ease burden of coming depression on the working class; for a Colorado State FEPC; (illegible) wage for agricultural workers, etc.

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"Therefore, In August, 1951 I moved to Casper, Wyoming with my husband and younger daughter, and assumed the name of Betty Miller. In Casper, my husband worked on construction. I worked for General Adjustment Bureau and we participated in the normal activities of the Community, speaking up for peace and against McCarthyite destruction of civil rights whenever the occasion arose. I became interested in the problems of the Indian people in the area, and helped secure a position in the Bureau for a young Indian woman. My husband sang in the choirs of the Episcopalian and Presbyterian Church, participated in the annual Mesiah performance and played in the Community Symphony Orchestra.

"In May, 1953 we moved to Oakland, Calif. and in July to San Jose. In August 1953, I was arrested with four others on charges of conspiring to become 'accessories after the fact' of a Smith Act indictment and 'harboring' Sid Stein, who had been accused of a Smith Act violation but never arrested or tried. In May, 1954, was acquitted for lack of evidence after having spent three months in San Francisco County jail.

"I then moved to Los Angeles where I lived under my own name. My husband was working on construction, and we took part in the successful campaign to secure commutation of death sentence for a Negro prisoner, Robt. Wesley Wells; in protests against illegal mass deportations of Mexican people; spoke at a number of meetings for the repeal of the Smith Act and against passage of the wire-tapping bill and Communist Control Act (Butler Bill). I was employed in a bakery plant where I was working at the time of my arrest, Aug. 1, 1954.

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"Summary: Political positions in Communist Party:
1942-3 Branch organizer Yonkers Branch
1943-4 Member trade - union and membership committees Chelsea Branch, New York City.
1945-6 Organizational secretary, Bangor, Me. Branch.
For a short time secretary Maine State Committee
1946 Chairman Colo. Springs Branch
1947 Org. Secretary Denver Section, later section organizer.
1948 Delegate National Convention C.P.
1949-50 Chairman Pueblo Branch

"Since 1950 have not held office in the C.P.

"Work history (as accurately as I can remember)

1927-8 Dr. N. M. Wertheim 4 E. 88th St., New York, general assistant.
1929-30 John L. Stevenson, Canadian Dept. London Times, Ottawa, Ont., general assistant.
1930 Married
1931 Worked for Brooklyn dentist whose name I don't recall.
1941 Hecht's Dept. store, Washington, D. C. phone order board.
1942-3 Warner-Hudnut, pharmaceuticals and cosmetics, clerical work in export dept.
1943 (Few months only) Shell Oil Co. shipping documents clerk in export dept.
1943-44 (May '43 to Sept. '44) National Maritime Union, N.Y.C.
1950 (Fall) Worked as waitress in restaurant for short while, then in Meisner's Store, 1601 Curtis.
1951 Montgomery Ward, typist mail order dept.
1951 Carson Crockery Co. Motel Supply Division, 1301 Wazee St.
1951-53 General Adjustment Bureau, Casper, Wyo.
1953 Poulton & Orr, insurance brokers, Oakland, Calif.
1953 General Adjustment Bureau, San Jose, Calif.
1954 (while on bail before trial) Univis Lens Co., San Francisco (after acquittal) Van de Kamp's Bakery, Los Angeles

"Arrests: Have never been arrested on any except political charges, not even for a traffic offense.

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- "1949 - Contempt of Court, 1-yr. sentence reversed by U.S.S.C.
1951 - Contempt of Court, stemming out of Delmar Reed
trial. Did not appeal one-day sentence.
1953 - August. Conspiracy to become accessory after
the fact to a Smith Act violation and harboring.
Acquitted by directed verdict."

Typewritten on the back of page one of
the eight page report of PATRICIA BLAU appears the
following:

"Her husband was a member of a lawyers branch in
Westchester County.

"He husband knows such people ad [redacted]
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BELLE SUNDEEN
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According to NY 693-S*, on 7/18/55, BELLE (possibly BELLE SUNDEEN) contacted PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) at CP Headquarters and said that she had a message for him. He said he had a meeting going on which would last until late afternoon, but agreed to see her if she would come within one half an hour. She agreed to do so.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Newark (100-2974)
FROM : SAC, New York (100-66211)(7-5)
SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE
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DATE: 7/27/55

NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, advised that on 5/9/55, ELVA LANNON told GEORGE WATT at CP National Headquarters, that MARTHA (believed to be MARTHA STONE) had called and said that she would not be in that morning, but would make an afternoon meeting and wanted to see CLAUDE (believed to be CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT). WATT stated that CLAUDE was not there. AL BLUMBERG remarked that BILL (believed to be WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) was coming in. At this point PHIL BART told ELVA to tell ARTHUR (believed to be ARTHUR ZIPSER) to come upstairs.

The informant advised that BART then told ARTHUR that there was no need for BILL to come down since MARTHA and CLAUDE were not available. He told ARTHUR that they could not make any proposal without MARTHA and CLAUDE, so he should advise BILL to remain where he was, as they could not have a meeting.

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- 1 - New Haven (100-14795)(MARTHA STONE)(RM)
- 1 - Chicago (61-867)(CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)(RM)
- 1 - NY 100-89590 (CP, USA, STRATEGY AND INDUSTRY)(12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-54012 (ELVA LANNON)(12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT)(19-A)
- 1 - NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)(7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-9984 (AL BLUMBERG)(19-A)
- 1 - NY 100-9365 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)(7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-81450 (ARTHUR ZIPSER)(12-16)
- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(19-A)
- 1 - NY 100-21421 (ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG)(7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-81491 (HARRY HAYWOOD)(12-15)
- 1 - NY 100-80640 (CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION)(12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-81675 (CP, USA, PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS)(12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-97167 (POLITICAL AFFAIRS)(7-2)

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According to the informant, ARTHUR then told BILL that the 1:00 PM meeting had fallen through. After his conversation with BILL, ARTHUR stated that both he and BILL would be at the Public Library at 1:00 PM and at TRACHTENBERG's at 3:00 PM.

According to the informant, later that same morning BART said that he had had a discussion with BILL (believed to be WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) about the AFL - CIO constitution and that BILL said that they must make it very clear that they were not supporting this constitution and any Communist who is a member of those unions would not be a Communist if he voted for the constitution. BART said that at the Constitutional Convention they had discussed this and it was emphasized there that there was a need for a differentiation between the tactical approach and the theoretical approach to this basic labor movement document. BART said that it was necessary to re-assert class struggle in the American labor movement. GEORGE WATT said that BILL's position on the Negro question was sound and might prove to be the basis for a proposal of a constitutional amendment. WATT said that it should be emphasized that the "witch-hunt" section is not aimed at the left unions instead it is a weapon to be used on the rising international labor movement.

BLUMBERG than stated that the constitution provides for a committee on legislation, a committee on Civil Rights and a committee on Political activity. He said that the political action committee should insist that workers maintain their political independence and exercise the full rights of citizenship by registering to vote.

WATT said that this was not a victory for industrial unions, but rather a compromise with Craft unions, although it was a recognition of the industrial form of unionization. He said that the workers have been represented in recent years at CIO Conventions, but not at AFL conventions, and that the focal point was the trade union democracy versus over-centralization.

BLUMBERG then said that although "our" policy of developing struggles would not get amendments passed, it would create an atmosphere that would influence policy decisions later. He said that the merger is definitely going through,

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however, we would express ourselves in such a way as to indicate our dissatisfaction with the merger. BLUMBERG continued by saying that the committee on Civil Rights had no teeth in its policy on Civil Rights. He said that Civil Rights was not to be approached as a right, but as an obligation.

BART then said that the Negro question was the main amendment proposal. WATT disagreed and said that the trade-union democracy was the main amendment proposal. WATT continued by saying that "many comrades see only our changing policy", and they did not have the basic Marxist understanding which does not restrict tactical approach.

According to NY 1475-S*, on 5/11/55, HARRY (believed to be HARRY HAYWOOD) contacted MARTHA STONE at CP National Headquarters, and she told him to come into the Headquarters the next day to pick up a letter she had for him. He wanted to know what the deadline was for "that article". MARTHA told him that Monday (presumably 5/16/55) was the deadline date.

The informant also advised that on 5/16/55, HARRY contacted MARTHA at CP National Headquarters and stated that he wanted a few more days to finish writing the article. MARTHA urged him to get it in that day if possible so as to make the next issue which was about to come out. (It is believed that this article might possibly have been one written for Political Affairs.)

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

Director, FBI (100-3284)

7/27/55

SAC, New York (100-56579)

PHILIP BART, was.

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Enclosed are four copies of the report of SA
FRANKLIN B. TEETER dated July 27, 1955, at NY.

Captioned subject is presently carried as a
Key Figure of the NYO.

However, based on a review of subject's file
preparatory to writing enclosed report, it is felt that
BART falls within the definition of a "top functionary" as
set forth in Sec 87C of Manual of Instructions, Volume III.

According to information furnished by CG-5824-S*,
NY-694-S*, [redacted] and NY-1475-S* the subject currently
holds the following positions on a National Level in the
CP, USA:

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1. National Organizational Secretary.
2. Member, National Administrative Committee.
3. Member, Sub-Committee on CP Registration
established at National Organizational
Conference held in April, 1955.
4. In charge of all Organizational and
Financial Operations, CP, USA.
5. Head of CP, USA Reserve Fund.
6. Member, National Commission on Organization
established by the National Administrative
Committee in June, 1955.

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It is noted that the National Administrative Committee, of which BART is a member, has been identified as the current policy making body of the "open" CP, USA organization.

Also as disclosed in the enclosed report, the subject has, in the past three months, attended a number of top-level CP meetings and conferences involved with various phases of National Organization, Finances and so forth.

In view of the above, it is felt that it is necessary to give continuous investigation to subject's case in order to keep abreast of Communism on a National basis in the U.S.

Therefore, it is recommended that BART be designated a "top functionary" and Bureau permission is requested to so carry him in the future.

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| TITLE PHILIP BART, was. | | CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C | |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject tentatively identified as residing at 530 E. 22nd St., Brooklyn, NY. Reported in attendance at a number of National CP meetings and conferences during period 3/15/55-6/23/55; also scheduled to attend National CP Conference 8/55 and 10/55. Identified as currently holding the following positions: (1) In charge of CP, USA Organizational and Financial Operations; (2) Head of CP Reserve Fund; (3) Member, National Administrative Committee, CP, USA; (4) Member, National Sub-Committee on Registration, CP, USA, established April, 1955; (5) National Organizational Secretary; and (6) Member, National Commission on Organization established June, 1955. Sources advise BART spoke at National CP meeting 3/50 and several CP meetings and conferences during period 3/55-5/55; also possible co-author of a CP memorandum issued by NAC in June, 1955; made report on CP funds in March, 1955 and in May, 1955 was planning to invest CP money in stock market; had some connections with "Daily Worker" during period February, 1955-June, 1955; and was in contact with various CP leaders and members on National level during period February, 1955-July, 1955. Information received reflecting subject connected with CRC in April, 1955 and May, 1955; the Jefferson School of Social Science, April, 1955; and the New Century Publishers during the period February, 1955-May, 1955.

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DETAILS All of the informants used in this report have furnished reliable information in the past.

I. BACKGROUND

A. Residences

On June 27, 1955, T-1 advised that the subject and his wife, CONSTANCE BART, were planning to move to 530 East 22nd Street, Brooklyn, New York, in the near future.

On July 5, 1955 [redacted]

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[redacted] Brooklyn, advised SA ROBERT G. OFFEDAL that on June 30, 1955 an unidentified couple moved into apartment 3G at 530 East 22nd Street. [redacted] was unable to furnish the names of this couple. However, he positively identified a photograph of CONSTANCE BART as being the woman and tentatively identified a photograph of PHILIP BART as the man. He also furnished a description of the man which closely resembles that of the subject.

B. Status of Health

On May 27, 1955, T-1 advised that the subject was in good overall health. He stated that BART had stopped smoking and was following a diet in order to keep his weight down.

C. Vacation Plans

On June 29, 1955, T-1 advised that he had heard that the subject and his wife were planning a vacation trip to Chicago in September, 1955.

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II. CONNECTIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY

The Communist Party, USA (CP) has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A. Attendance at CP Meetings

On March 15, 1955, T-2 advised that a meeting of the National Administrative Committee, CP, USA was held on that date at CP Headquarters at 268 7th Avenue, New York City. The informant identified the subject as being among those present. He advised that German rearmament and a ban on atomic weapons were the principal topics discussed.

P On March 26, 1955, T-1 advised that he had recently received information that the subject had attended a conference of CP functionaries held on March 23 through 25, 1955 in Chicago, Illinois. The informant pointed out that according to his source this conference dealt primarily with the forthcoming CP fund drives.

On April 5, 1955, T-2 advised that the subject had recently returned to New York City from a National CP fund drive tour to Chicago, Detroit and Cleveland.

On April 18, 1955, T-2 advised that a meeting was held earlier that day by a number of CP leaders at Party Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, New York City. The informant reported that the subject was present at this meeting. He further advised that the financial plight of the Civil Rights Congress (CRC) and the Negro Question were the main topics discussed.

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On April 20, 1955, T-2 advised that the National Administrative Committee, CP, USA had scheduled a National

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Legislative Conference for September, 1955. The informant also advised that the National Administrative Committee had decided that in the future they were going to attempt to adhere to their schedule of meeting every other Tuesday. The informant identified the subject as a member of the National Administrative Committee (NAC).

P On April 21, 1955, T-3 advised that the subject in the recent past had attended a meeting of the National Farm Commission, CP, USA held in New York City. He stated that BART attended in his capacity as a member of the NAC and was in effect the representative of the National Leadership of the CP. The informant further advised that BART made the principal speech at this meeting.

P On May 2, 1955, T-1 advised that during the week of April 24, 1955 a National Conference on Organization had been held by the CP in New York City. The informant reported the subject present at this meeting.

On May 9, 1955, T-2 advised that the subject attended a meeting held that date at CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, New York City. The informant identified the purpose of this meeting as being to discuss the proposed merger of the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations Labor Unions. He pointed out that the main decision to come out of this meeting was that the CP had to be careful not to act in such a way as to make it appear that the Party favored the merger.

P On May 12, 1955, T-1 advised that he had received information indicating that BART was scheduled to attend a Midwestern Conference of CP District Organizers to be held on May 21 and 22, 1955 in Chicago, Illinois.

P On May 20, 1955, T-1 advised that BART had on that date left New York City for Chicago to attend the Midwestern Conference of CP District Organizers.

P On May 25, 1955, T-1 advised that he had received word that BART had

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attended the Midwestern Conference of District organizers, CP, USA held in Chicago, Illinois on May 21 and 22, 1955. The informant stated that, according to his source "peace" and the automobile industry were the main subjects considered at this conference. The informant further advised that according to his source, the subject made reports on the struggle for peace and CP organization during the course of this conference.

T-1 further advised on May 25, 1955 that he had received word from his source to the effect that following the May 22, 1955 session of the Midwestern Conference of CP Organizers BART met with [redacted] to discuss the CP leadership problem in Colorado. According to the informant's source, the purpose of BART meeting with [redacted] was to relay a criticism of the Colorado CP leadership based on the fall off in dues collections.

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The informant identified [redacted] as the Representative of the Colorado District of the CP at the Midwestern Conference of CP District Organizers.

Still later on May 25, 1955, T-1 advised that the subject returned to New York City from his trip to Chicago on May 23, 1955. He also reported that he had received information indicating that BART was planning a trip to Detroit around June 15, 1955. He was unable to furnish the purpose of this trip.

On June 17, 1955, T-1 advised that he had learned that the subject's purpose in going to Detroit was to attend a meeting of the newly formed National Commission on Organization of the CP to be held during the period June 21-24, 1955.

On June 20, 1955, T-4 advised that the subject was planning to leave New York City by airline on June 21, 1955 for Detroit, Michigan.

On June 21, 1955, T-1 advised that he had received information indicating that after the meeting

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of the National Commission on Organization in Detroit the subject was scheduled on June 24, 1955 to travel to Chicago for an undetermined stay. The informant was unable to furnish the purpose of this trip.

On June 29, 1955, T-1 advised that the CP was planning a National Conference to be held in New York City on August 2 and 3, 1955. The informant stated this conference was to deal with the fight against the Smith Act and the McCarran Act. The informant stated that PHIL BART and the other CP leaders were all scheduled to attend this conference.

The informant further advised that the subject was planning to attend a National CP Conference to be held in New York City sometime in the Fall, probably during October. The informant identified the purpose of this conference as being to prepare for the 1956 National Elections.

B. Positions Held in the CP

On April 5, 1955, T-5 reported that PHIL BART was currently in charge of both organizational and financial operations of the CP, USA. He further advised that the subject was in complete charge of the CP Reserve Fund.

On April 20, 1955, T-2 advised that the subject was still a member of the NAC, CP, USA. The informant has previously identified the NAC as the current policy making committee of the open organization of the CP.

On May 9, 1955, T-5 advised that the subject continued to be the head of the CP, USA Reserve Fund. The informant added that he had recently received information to the effect that when JOHN WILLIAMSON left the United States for England he received three months advanced wages, plus passage and expense money from the CP Reserve Fund. The informant stated that, according to his source, BART was primarily responsible for WILLIAMSON's obtaining this financial aid.

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JOHN WILLIAMSON was one of the National CP Leaders who were convicted in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on October 14, 1948 for violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

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P On May 12, 1955, T-1 identified the subject as still being a member of the National Administrative Committee, CP, USA.

P On May 12, 1955, T-3 also identified the subject as a member of the NAC, CP, USA.

P On May 27, 1955, T-1 advised that during the National Organizational Conference of the CP which was held in New York City during the week of April 24, 1955, a three-man subcommittee was established to prepare a resume of the discussions and problems at the meeting. According to the informant, this subcommittee was to continue in existence after the conference in order to conduct research and prepare a report on the advisability of conducting a Party registration campaign in the Fall of 1955. The informant identified the subject as being one of the members of this committee.

P On June 3, 1955, T-5 reported that the subject continued to be the National Organizational Secretary, CP, USA.

P On June 17, 1955, T-1 advised that he had received information that the subject had recently been appointed as one of a new four-man National Commission on Organization. The informant stated that this commission was established by the NAC and was scheduled to hold a meeting in Detroit, Michigan on June 21, 1955. He pointed out that, according to his source, the purpose of this meeting was to investigate and study the organizational difficulties of the Detroit District of the CP.

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P On June 29, 1955, T-1 advised that the subject continued to be a member of the NAO, CP, USA and the National Organizational Secretary, CP, USA.

III. OTHER ACTIVITIES INDICATING FURTHERANCE OF THE CP PROGRAM

A. Speeches

In its report on "March of Labor" dated December 22, 1954, page 3, the Committee on Un-American Activities of the United States House of Representatives, quoted PHIL BART, former General Manager of the "Daily Worker", as having made the following statement at a plenary meeting of the National Committee, CP, USA on March 23-25, 1950;

"...The main task of the Communist press in the United States today is to help develop a broad united-front movement of the working class.

"The development of the class consciousness of the workers, as the great guiding spirits and leaders of Communism have many times emphasized, is not an automatic or spontaneous process. It requires the proper fulfillment by the Party of its vanguard role..."

"That is why the building of the Communist press is of such mighty importance in developing every phase of our work. Press building goes hand in hand with the carrying out of our policy of industrial concentration, of firmly rooting the Party among workers in the main plants and industries of our country and winning their support and confidence through vanguard participation and guidance in their day-to-day struggles.

"We should constantly look to the experiences of the Bolshevik Party of Lenin and Stalin, which teach

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"us the vital role of the press in the struggle
of the working class..."

"At the same time we strive to immunize the
workers and the people generally against the
ideological poison spewed forth by the imperialist
press, we must help mobilize and organize them
for struggle..."

The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist
Party newspaper.

On March 26, 1955, T-1 advised that he had received information that the subject was one of the speakers at a conference of CP functionaries held in Chicago, Illinois during the period March 23-25, 1955. The informant stated that, according to his source, BART spoke on the approaching "Worker" and "Daily Worker" fund drives. He emphasized the crisis facing the CP and outlined the reasons why and the measures necessary to keep the "Daily Worker" in operation. The subject touched on CP leadership problems, stating that the Labor Youth League (LYL) was to be the source of new leaders.

The "Worker" is the Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker".

The LYL has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On April 18, 1955, T-2 advised that he was present on that date at CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, when the subject made a speech concerning "The South and Migration". According to the informant, BART stated that considerable study had been given to this problem and that a commission had been established to deal with it. The informant pointed out that BART stated that this commission meets once a month.

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On April 21, 1955, T-3 advised that the subject was the principal speaker at a meeting of the National Farm Commission, CP, USA held in the recent past in New York City. The informant stated that, according to his source of information, BART's speech was indirectly a blast at current CP farm policy. He, on several occasions, referred to "serious errors of judgment and policy" indicating that a number of "changes and developments" were necessary. The informant concluded by pointing out that, according to his source, it was the consensus of those present that the purpose of BART's speech was to discredit the leadership and method of work of PETTIS PERRY.

The informant identified PERRY as the CP leader in charge of the National Farm Commission prior to his imprisonment for violation of the Smith Act.

On May 2, 1955 T-1 advised that he had recently indirectly received information about a National CP Conference on organization held during the week of April 24, 1955 in New York City. The informant stated that, according to his source, the subject made the main report at this meeting. It dealt with CP organization and was supplemented by reports by WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and MARTHA STONE. The informant stated that his source revealed that the Detroit District of the CP had disagreed with the proposals on organization contained in BART's report. It was pointed out, however, that although vocal, this opposition was unsupported by other factions present at this conference.

In an article entitled, "Foster Wires Clemency Plea to Eisenhower", which appeared in the June 19, 1953 issue of the "Daily Worker", page 2, column 1, WILLIAM Z. FOSTER was described as Chairman of the CP, USA.

On March 11, 1955, T-2 advised that MARTHA STONE was a member of the CP National Secretariat and was a member of the National Administrative Committee, CP, USA.

MARTHA STONE was arrested on November 1, 1954 for violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

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P On May 25, 1955, T-1 advised that during the May 21, 1955 session of the Midwestern Conference of District Organizers, CP, USA held in Chicago, Illinois, the subject made a report on the struggle for peace. The informant stated that, according to his source, this report dealt primarily with the tasks facing the CP in promoting the 10th anniversary of the United Nations Organization. The informant further advised that, according to his source, BART, during the May 22, 1955 session of the conference, reported on various matters pertaining to CP organization.

B. Writings and Organizational Directives

On June 25, 1955, T-6 advised that the NAC, CP, USA had recently issued a comprehensive memorandum on the Negro Question entitled, "Current Concentration Mass Issues in the Field of Struggle for Equal Rights for the Negro People". According to the informant, this memorandum was directed to all district organizers, committees, commissions and editors of Marxist publications. It outlined the program that CP leadership must follow in working for the Negro people's demands, political and economical.

It is noted that the subject has been identified as being currently a member of the NAC, CP, USA.

C. Handling of CP Funds

On March 31, 1955, T-2 advised that the subject had recently made an oral report to MARTHA STONE about the status of CP funds for the defense of CP leaders and members who might be tried in the future.

According to the informant, BART's report covered the three-month period of January-March, 1955 and reflected that the Party's income for that period had been \$33,252.

P On May 27, 1955, T-5, advised that he had recently

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received information indicating that PHIL BART was planning to invest CP money in the stock market. The informant stated that according to his source these investments were to be made through MAX MAMET. The informant identified MAMET as being a CP member employed at the investment firm of Franklin, Meyer and Barnett, 120 Broadway, New York City.

D. "Daily Worker" Connections

On February 28, 1955, T-4 advised that he had recently received information to the effect that the "Daily Worker" was on the verge of ruin. He pointed out that, according to his source, the situation had become so desperate that PHIL BART was contacting various other CP officials in various districts in the United States for advances on their quotas set up for future fund drives. The informant's source reported that this was necessary so that the next edition of the "Daily Worker" could be printed.

On April 7, 1955, T-4 advised that the subject had earlier on that date contacted "Daily Worker" headquarters, 35 East 12th Street, New York City, and made arrangements for a conference with ABNER BERRY to take place sometime prior to BERRY's leaving for Washington, D. C. The informant advised that BERRY was scheduled to make a trip to Washington, D. C. on April 11, 1955.

T-7 has currently identified ABNER W. BERRY as the Negro Affairs Editor for the "Worker" and the "Daily Worker".

In an article entitled, "High Court Clears Three of Red Inquiry Contempt", under the byline of LUTHER A. HUSTON which appeared on page 1, column 6 of the May 24, 1955 issue of the "New York Times" (Late City Edition), PHILIP BART was identified as the General Manager of the "Daily Worker". The article reported that BART and two other individuals, JULIUS EMSRICK and THOMAS QUINN, identified as officials of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Union, had been cleared by the United

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States Supreme Court of a charge of contempt of Congress. According to the article, this charge had been brought because the above three individuals had invoked the Fifth Amendment of the Constitution when they were questioned about their Communist affiliations at a hearing of the House Committee on Un-American Activities in August, 1949.

On June 10, 1955, T-7 advised that the subject had visited the offices of the "Daily Worker" on June 9, 1955. The informant was unable to give the purpose of the subject's visit.

2. Contacts with CP Leaders and Members

P On March 23, 1955, T-8 advised that in late February or early March, 1955, LAWRENCE E. MC GURTY, Chairman of the CP of Tennessee, was in New York City. While in New York he had a long discussion with the subject. The informant was unable to furnish the subject of this discussion.

On March 14, 1955, T-4 advised that on that date MARTHA STONE had contacted CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, New York City, in an effort to reach the subject. She made an appointment to see PART later that day. On March 21, 1955, T-4 advised that the subject on that date contacted SID TAYLOR from Connecticut and made an appointment to meet him on the following Thursday, March 24, 1955.

SIMON SILVERMAN, with alias SID TAYLOR, was arrested on May 29, 1954 for conspiring to violate the Smith Act of 1940. Indictment was filed on June 4, 1955 in United States District Court in New Haven, Connecticut.

On March 29, 1955, T-1 advised that he had received information indicating that the subject and WILLIAM Z. FOSTER were in the process of discussing the possibility of registering a few hundred people in the CP for the purpose of fighting a rear guard action in the event the courts uphold the McCarran Act.

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On April 1, 1955, T-2 advised that earlier that day MARTHA STONE and the subject had a conference at CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue. The informant advised that this conference dealt with CP funds for the first quarter of 1955.

On May 2, 1955, T-2 advised that on that date the subject had been in contact with LEON NELSON about the Puerto Rican Smith Act subjects. According to the informant, they discussed lawyers, bail money and the part that the CP leadership should play in the defense.

On May 27, 1955, T-1 identified LEON NELSON as the Organizational Secretary of the New York District of the CP for 1955.

On May 25, 1955, T-1 advised that he had recently received information indicating that the subject, while in Chicago during the period from May 17 to 23, 1955, contacted various CP members from California, Minnesota and Wisconsin. The informant stated that, according to his source, BART contacted these CP members for the purpose of ascertaining the number of registered Party members in their districts. ^{107.6}

P On May 27, 1955, T-1 further advised that while in Chicago the subject was in contact with DORIS FINE. The informant identified DORIS FINE as wife of FRED FINE.

FRED MORRIS FINE was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on June 20, 1951 for violation of the Smith Act of 1940. A warrant for his arrest is outstanding.

On July 1, 1955, T-9 advised that JOSEPH ROBERTS was scheduled to meet with the subject and ALBERT E. BLUMBERG in New York City for dinner on July 6, 1955. The informant could furnish no details about the purpose of this meeting.

In August, 1954 JOSEPH ROBERTS was indicted in United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, for a violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

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On October 6, 1954, ALBERT E. BLUMBERG was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in the United States District Court at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania for a violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

On July 5, 1955, T-10 verified the fact that JOSEPH ROBERTS was planning to visit New York City for one day on July 6, 1955.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

A. CRO

On April 6, 1955, T-2 advised that the secretary of the CRC had recently furnished to the subject and MARTHA STONE a financial report on the CRC covering the period from December, 1954 to April, 1955. According to the informant, this report consisted of a complete breakdown as to sources of income, expenditures, etc.

On April 18, 1955, T-2 advised that a number of CP leaders had met earlier that date at Party Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, New York City, for the purpose of discussing the possibility of an increase in aid to the CRC. According to the informant, plans were made to increase the Party's contribution to the CRC from \$100.00 a week to \$300.00 a week. The informant identified the subject as being present at this meeting and reported that BART stated that the current annual budget of the Communist Party allowed \$5,000 for the CRC.

On May 3, 1955, T-2 further advised that the subject had been in touch with CRC headquarters. According to the informant, the purpose of this contact was to discuss the Puerto Rican Smith Act defendants.

B. Jefferson School of Social Science

The Jefferson School of Social Science has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On April 18, 1955, T-2 advised that on that date an unidentified employee of the Jefferson School contacted the subject at CP headquarters. According to the informant, this individual complained about his money situation and advised BART that due to personal difficulties he would

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be able to give only one night per week to the school.

C. New Century Publishers

The New Century Publishers was cited by the Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, Report # 1920, May 11, 1948, pages 7 and 35, as "an official Communist Party publishing house, which has published the works of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER and EUGENE DENNIS, CP Chairman and Executive Secretary, respectively, as well as the theoretical magazine of the Party known as 'Political Affairs' and the Constitution of the Communist Party, USA".

On February 24, 1955, T-4 advised that on that date the subject had contacted the office of the New Century Publishers about the cost of reprinting the "Hastings Article" which appeared in the March issue of "Political Affairs".

On April 1, 1955, T-2 advised that he had received word from MARTHA STONE that several CP leaders were planning to meet in the near future to consider the "Hastings-Mann" article which appeared in the March, 1955 issue of "Political Affairs". The informant stated that the subject was named as one of the leaders expected to attend this meeting. The informant pointed out that MARTHA STONE had furnished no details concerning this article except to state that some sections of the CP had accepted it but that others were critical.

On May 25, 1955, T-1 advised that ANDY RENES was in charge of the New Century Publishers. The informant further stated that he had heard that RENES was in effect subject's representative at the New Century Publishers.

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| T-1: CG-5824-S* | 3/23-25/55 fund drive conference, Chicago | 3/26/55 | | |
| | 3/55 contact with WILLIAM Z. FOSTER | 3/29/55 | | |
| | 4/55 National Conference on Organization, NYC | 5/2/55 | | |
| | Subject's 4/55 positions in CP | 5/27/55 | | |
| | Subject's CP position, 5/55 | 5/12/55 | | |
| | Connection with New Century Publishers, 5/55 | 5/25/55 | | |
| | 5/21 and 22/55 Midwestern Organizer's Conference, Chicago | 5/12/55 | | |
| | 5/21 and 22/55 Midwestern Organizer's Conference | 5/20/55 | | |

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| T-1 cont'd | 5/21 and 22/55, Midwestern Organizer's Conference | 5/25/55 | | |
| | 5/22/55 meeting with [redacted] [redacted] | 5/25/55 | b6 b7C | |
| | Return from Mid- western Organizer's Conference, 5/23/55 | 5/25/55 | | |
| | CP contacts in Chicago, 5/21- 23/55 | 5/25/55 | | |
| | Contact with DORIS FINE, Chicago | 5/27/55 | | |
| | Status of health | 5/27/55 | | |
| | Documentation of LEON NELSON | 5/27/55 | | |
| | CP positions, 6/55 | 6/17/55 | | |
| | 6/21-24/55 National Commission on Organization Meeting, Detroit | 6/17/55 | | |
| | 6/24/55 trip to Chicago | 6/21/55 | | |

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| T-1 cont'd | Residence info | 6/27/55 | | |
| | CP position, 6/55 | 6/29/55 | | |
| | 8/2 and 3/55 National CP Conference | 6/29/55 | | |
| | Fall, 1955 CP Conference | 6/29/55 | | |
| | 9/55 vacation trip | 6/29/55 | | |
| T-2: NY-1475-S* | Documentation of MARTHA STONE | 3/11/55 | | |
| | 3/15/55 NAC meeting | 3/15/55 | | |
| | Report to MARTHA STONE on CP defense funds | 3/31/55 | | |
| | 4/1/55 contact with MARTHA STONE | 4/1/55 | | |
| | Proposed conference re "Hastings-Mann" article | 4/1/55 | | |
| | Return from National fund drive tour | 4/5/55 | | |
| | CRC financial report | 4/6/55 | | |
| | 4/18/55 CP meeting | 4/18/55 | | |
| | 4/18/55 contact with Jefferson School of Social Science | 4/18/55 | | |

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| T-2: con't | Info re bi-weekly NAC meeting and 9/55 National CP conference | 4/20/55 | | |
| | 4/55 CP positions | 4/20/55 | | |
| | 5/2/55 contact with LEON NELSON | 5/2/55 | | |
| | 5/3/55 contact with CGU | 5/3/55 | | |
| | 5/9/55 CP meeting | 5/9/55 | | |
| | 9/55 CP Legislative Conference | 4/20/55 | | |
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| T-3: | Meeting National Farm Commission, CP | 4/21/55 | | |
| | 5/55 CP position | 5/12/55 | | |
| T-4: NY-693-** | 2/21/55 contact with New Century Publishers office | | | |
| | Efforts to raise funds for "Daily Worker" | 2/28/55 | | |

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| T-4 cont'd | 3/14/55 contact with MARTHA STONE | 3/14/55 | | |
| | 3/21/55 contact with SID TAYLOR | 3/21/55 | | |
| | 4/7/55 contact with "Daily Worker" headquarters | 4/7/55 | | |
| | 6/21/55 trip to Detroit | 6/20/55 | | |
| T-5: NY-694-S4 | 4/55 CP positions | 4/5/55 | | |
| | 5/55 CP positions | 5/9/55 | | |
| | 6/55 CP positions | 6/3/55 | | |
| | Info re CP fund investment | 5/27/55 | | |
| T-6: Anonymous (per Detroit let to Director dated 6/28/55 captioned "CP, USA NEGRO QUESTION; IS-C") | Info re CP memo on Negro question | 6/25/55 | | |

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| T-7: [redacted] | 6/9/55 visit to "Daily Worker" office | 6/10/55 | | |
| b7D | Documentation of ABNER W. BERRY | 6/55 | | |
| T-8: [redacted] | Contact with LAWRENCE E. MC CURTY | 3/23/55 | WILLIAM H. 100-459-2352 LAWRENCE, orally | (Memphis file) |
| T-9: PH-79-S* | 7/6/55 contact with JOSEPH ROBERTS | 7/1/55 | | |
| T-10: PH-83-S* | Trip to NY by JOSEPH ROBERTS | 7/5/55 | | |

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report and T symbols were used only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

MISCELLANEOUS

BART is a Smith Act subject. Philadelphia is the office of prosecution.

The Security Index card pertaining to the subject has been reviewed and all information appearing thereon is correct.

A. Additional Information Furnished by CG-5824-S*

The below set forth information about the subject was obtained by CG-5824-S* under such circumstances as to

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warrant its being given additional protection. On 3/26/55 CG-5824-S# advised that during the period subject was in Chicago, 3/23-25/55, he obtained the following information from BART:

They discussed the serious situation existing re the CP of Puerto Rico. BART stated that as a result of the difficulties the Nationalists and Internationalists had split. As a result of this split the CP, USA had been given a "dressing down" internationally. BART explained that the CP, USA was in the process of trying to work out a program re the Puerto Rican Party.

Also BART during this period sent the informant several written notes concerning the CP security situation. He pointed out that at that time the Party had four security commissions at work studying specific problems. He identified these situations as:

1. The ROBERT THOMPSON-SIDNEY STEINBERG pick up.
2. Party affairs in Seattle, Washington and in Oregon.
3. The Harlem, NYC factional strife.
4. The MARTHA STONE arrest.

BART explained that the Party felt that all of the above problems were the result of the work of Agents in the Party. He pointed out that the Party had a commission studying the FBI, its investigative activities and technical methods. BART also pointed out that a Security Investigation

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Commission to "ferret out stool pigeons" and to maintain the "purity" of the Party was being considered.

Also during this period the informant participated in several conferences involving BART, MOLLIE WEST and himself. These conferences dealt primarily with CP registrations, the Negro question and overall CP organization and leadership.

Still further during this period the subject furnished the following information to the informant on a personal basis:

He stated that the CP was making plans to re-establish a faction in the steel industry. He pointed out that efforts to establish this faction were being made in behalf of Ohio because of its central location. He advised that a National Conference of the CP was being planned for the near future to deal with the steel situation. He added that MANNY BLU and ART HENDLE were being considered for the full time position of CP Organizer of steel in the Chicago area.

On May 25, 1955, the informant advised that PHIL BART lived with him while he was in Chicago attending the Midwestern Conference of District Organizers, CP, USA during the period 5/20-23/55. During this period he received the following information from the subject:

During a conversation involving PHIL BART, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and himself he learned that the CP was getting ready to hold some national conferences. One of these was described as an open "legal" conference to be held in the Fall of 1955. Another, to be held during the summer months, was described as one at which persons from the underground would be in attendance.

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The informant advised that an understanding had been reached among the subject, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, MOLLIE WEST and himself to the effect that MOLLIE WEST was to get a three-months vacation unless the Party decided to remove JAMES WEST, her husband, from the underground,

The informant stated that he, PHIL BART, ART HAENDLE, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT met in Chicago during this period to discuss HAENDLE's position as leader of CP activities in several midwestern states. They also discussed CP concentration in the railroad industry. The informant pointed out that while they were discussing the latter subject, BART advised that the CP had successfully colonized the railroad industry in New York with young people who were willing to contribute financially to railroad concentration in other areas. He pointed out, however, that New York needed some "old hands" to guide these young CP members.

The informant further advised that during this period the subject loaned him Volume I, Number 1 issue of the "United States Report", which the informant described as a monthly review of the "American Scene" published at 45 Clarges Street, London, England.

The informant pointed out that during their discussion of this publication BART described it as a tool to be utilized in the world-wide Communist propaganda campaign against the United States. He stated that there are a number of American Communists in England at the present time and that England will be the rallying center for the above described propaganda campaign. BART stated that in keeping with the policy of the Soviet Union that the main enemy of Communism is the United States, the most capable of American exiles are being used in the propaganda campaign against the United States. He stated that the "United States Report" is their weapon.

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On 6/29/55, CG-5824-S* advised that he had recently had a private talk with BART about the "Daily Worker". During this conversation the subject pointed out that Agents of the United States Treasury Department had been investigating the "Daily Worker" to ascertain if it was delinquent in its taxes. BART stated that as a result, a new system of paying employees at the "Daily Worker" has been worked out by the Party.

He concluded by stating that the CP leadership did not want to close the "Daily Worker" themselves, but hoped that the government would do so. This would give the CP a chance to capitalize on the government move as an infringement of freedom of the press.

B. Underground Activities

On 2/14/55, NY-694-S* advised that the subject had on that date left the underground and had become active in open CP affairs. Since the above date the subject has continued to be in contact with various individuals who have been identified as being involved in underground activities in the New York City area. Set forth below is the pertinent information which has been received since the last report:

On 3/31/55, NK-2010-S* made available a letter from JACK KLING to PHIL BART. According to this letter, the subject and KLING were scheduled to meet on 4/11/55, purpose unknown. The letter also mentioned the fact that the subject had met with his wife, CONSTANCE BART, not long before. NK-2010-S* identified KLING and CONSTANCE BART as operating in the underground.

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By means of a physical surveillance conducted on 4/11/55 by agents of the NYO it was ascertained that the subject met JACK KLING on that date as planned.

On 4/5/55 NK-2010-S* advised that the subject and his wife CONSTANCE had planned a meeting for 4/13/55 at the Plaza Hotel, Jersey City, N. J.

By means of a physical surveillance conducted on 4/13/55 by agents of the NY and Newark Offices it was ascertained that the subject and his wife met on that date and spent the night at the Plaza Hotel, Jersey City, N. J.

On 4/15/55 and 4/18/55 NK-2010-S* furnished a copy of a long memorandum on CP organization, concentration and press, which was obtained from JACK KLING. This memorandum is addressed in part to the subject.

On 4/25/55 NK-2010-S* advised that the subject had been in touch with JACK KLING by letter dated 4/14/55. A meeting between the subject and SOLOMON AUERBACH, which had been scheduled for 5/4/55, was cancelled.

On 5/9/55, NK-2010-S* advised that IRVING HERMAN, JACK KLING and the subject had gotten together to discuss the following matters: (1) the National Review Commission; (2) creation of a functioning Review Commission in each district of the CP and (3) the possibility of designating a person in each of the more important CP districts to be in charge of Special Security activities.

On 5/13/55, CG-5824-S* advised that SUE KLING, wife of JACK KLING, CP underground functionary, had given

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him (informant) a letter to deliver to JACK KLING. The informant advised that he passed this letter on to various persons so that it would get to KLING, the last of whom was PHIL BART.

On 5/20/55, NK-2010-S* furnished a letter from JACK KLING to one WAYNE. This letter was dated 5/20/55 and dealt primarily with the underground status of CONSTANCE BART. According to the letter, she was to be released from the underground shortly after Declaration Day. KLING stated that the possibility of her being offered a Party assignment in the South had been discussed. However, he stated he was opposed to this and that he and PHIL BART favored her being assigned to a strong CP district in the South.

On 5/26/55, NK-2010-S* made available a memorandum from the subject to his wife, CONSTANCE. This memorandum consisted of a report on CP finances for the year 1954.

On 5/27/55, CG-5824-S* advised that as of that date subject's wife, CONSTANCE BART, was still operating in the CP underground.

On 6/1/55, CG-5824-S* advised that the CP was in the process of coming more and more out into the open and that changes in the organization of the underground were anticipated. He stated that under the old set up the CP underground was apparently divided into three regions, eastern, midwestern and Western. According to the informant, the subject and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT were in charge of the midwestern region. The informant stated that he had not heard what the new set up was to be.

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On 6/26/55, CG-5824-S advised that he had learned on that date from PHIL BART that his wife, CONSTANCE, was scheduled to leave the underground and return to the open Party within the next few days.

On 6/29/55, CG-5824-S reported that he had had a conversation with PHIL BART and ANT HACHELLI on 6/26/55. During this conversation BART stated that the current National CP policy on the underground was as follows:

Inasmuch as the danger of Fascism in the United States had diminished, many of the underground people would be brought into the open to give leadership to the Party. He stated that only the "reserve" leadership would remain underground.

LEADS

PHILADELPHIA (INFO)

Copies of this report have been designated for the Philadelphia Office inasmuch as it is the office of prosecution.

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will conduct investigation to definitely ascertain if the subject resides at 530 E. 22nd St., Brooklyn. Thereafter, will submit FD 122.

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Will continue to follow and report current activities of the subject.

REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] 4/14/55, New York.
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SAC, Detroit (100-17219)

CP, USA FARMER MATTERS
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On June 25, 1955, an Anonymous Source closely associated with PHIL BART, National CP, USA, functionary, made available to Agents of the Detroit Office some of the possessions of PHIL BART. Set out verbatim are the two memo's pertaining to farm matters which were among these possessions. These documents are being set out verbatim as the Bureau may wish to disseminate this information to all offices as it sets forth the current CP policy on farm matters.

"Proposals on Farm Work for Party Organization in South

"A basic aspect of building the democratic coalition in the South is the rapid development and organisation of struggle among the farm masses. This requires, among other things, a qualitative improvement in Party work among the rural and farm masses. We must place this objective before every single State Committee in the South, without exception. Every District, small and large alike, must turn its attention to Farm work in order that a basic improvement in our farm work will take place in 1955 and 1956. This is especially necessary in the light of the crucial 1956 election. The proposals on farm work listed below should prove helpful in the development of this work.

"1. Conduct a self-critical examination on farm work in all leading Committees.

"2. Formulate plans to bring the Program of the Party on the farm question to the Southern masses. This position of the Party should include the Program for Southern Farmers (accompanying these proposals); the But'l Party Progress, the Southern Program as well as various articles and publications of the Party on the farm question.

"3. Must orientate on the development of a mass approach to farm work, and a tactical line as set forth

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cc: (3) - New York (100-56579- PHIL BART)
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"in the National Party Program. Must seek for the necessary forms and tactical approaches around specific issues. (such as those outlined in the Program for Southern Farmers) District Leadership must give a lead to our forces in the rural areas on how they are to function, how to develop and unfold issue movements, which organizations to concentrate upon, etc. Main emphasis at this time to be placed on working with and in existing rural organizations, farm and non-farm. (churches, 4-H clubs, farm union groups, cooperatives, voter organizations, fraternal and benevolent societies, trade unions, etc.)

"4. Formulate a plan for Party building and consolidation among the farm and rural masses. This requires, among other things, a concrete approach to the particular problems to be faced in building a Party organization in the rural areas (isolation of the membership and other progressives, long distances to be traveled, difficulty of maintaining regular contact with the farm membership, of getting literature into the rurals, etc.). But all of these difficulties can be overcome, given a fighting line toward resolving them, as proved in the Soviet Union, China, etc. In this connection cadre must be assigned to farm work. Special steps should be worked out, with the aid of the National Center, for the Marxist-Leninist education of the farm membership. (through classes, special farm schools, teachers being sent in, etc.)

"5. Each District Leadership should become thoroughly familiar with farm question in general, and local farm conditions in particular. Utilize, among other things, the following: Lenin 'The Rural Poor'; Perlo 'The Negro in Agriculture'; 'Facts for Farmers' - subscribe; statistics from 1954 Federal Farm census; Feb. 1955 PA, articles by Comrades Foster and Perry. Should also study the history of the populist Movement in our state and its relationship to the farm question.

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To: OP, USA PARTNER PARTNERS
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"6. Work out approach to united struggle of agricultural and migratory off shore workers (Florida) and imported workers from Mexico (Texas).

"7. Consider possibility of returning Southern born comrades or progressives for short visits to assist in farm work, or for rural and farm colonization on a long range basis.

"8. Begin to compile lists of farm and rural organizations; also lists of individual farm leaders or rural leaders, and lists of individuals who live in small towns located in the heart of farm areas.

"9. Each District to develop its own minimum program of farm work, based on local situation, and in line with stage proposals.

"10. Nat'l Center should consider the development of analysis and research on the following:

"a) Effect of present tariff laws on cotton export and its relation to east-west trade.

"b) Analysis of present marketing facilities and agreements and their effect on small farmers in the South.

"c) Analysis of importance of farm question in South in its relation to developing Democratic coalition and also in relation to alliance of working class and farmers in the coming struggle for socialism.

"d) Analysis of present farm crisis as it affects the fight for East-West trade and peace.

"11. A special pamphlet on the farm question is being published shortly by the National Center. Concrete

Letter to Director, FBI

Re: CP, USA FARMER MATTERS
IS-C

"Plans are needed for the maximum use and distribution of this pamphlet."

"Program For Southern Farmers"

- "1. No reduction in coverage of farm produce for the sharecroppers, small and middle-sized farmers, and a 100% parity price for the poor farmers, with all basic products covered. For a restoration of all acreage which has been reduced to date under the Benson farm program.
- "2. Trade with the Soviet Union, China, and the New Democracy, as well as all other countries in order that the farmers will have a market for their produce.
- "3. Reduction of taxes upon the poor farmers with no foreclosures on the poor farmers for failure to meet mortgage payments.
- "4. A rehabilitation and soil conservation program by both the state and federal government for the poor and homeless farmers, to purchase homes with long term credit at low interest rates so as to enable the poor rural masses to build modern farm homes with water and light facilities.
- "5. The enactment of the billion dollar school program proposed by the American Federation of Labor. This program will make it possible to help build schools in the rural and farm areas of the South.
- "6. Modernized health facilities including government support of children's nurseries for rural mothers, hospital facilities for the rural poor with doctors financed by the government, including free dentist and medical facilities. Free moving clinics on wheels for the rural poor, with special care to be given to the Negro people.

Letter to Director, FBI

Re: CP, USA FARMER MAPPERS
ISAC

"7. For a federal minimum wage of \$1.25 per hour for all farm labor and migratory workers, with special law enforcement provisions designed to prevent discrimination against the Negro and Mexican people.

"8. For the enactment of state and federal social security legislation extending present social security benefits to farm labor and migratory workers.

"9. All civil and constitutional rights of farmers to be protected by the federal government against KKK and mob violence. The right of the Negro and poor white farmers to meet, organize, and hold public office without fear to be upheld by the national government.

"10. A greater proportion of the crop to the croppers working on shares with the big landlord farmers and the right to a garden for the croppers and farm laborers who are living on these farm lands, as well as the right to raise chickens and hogs so as to be able to feed their families.

"11. A written contract for all landless croppers and tenant farmers giving the croppers the right to sell their own produce without interference by the landlord at the markets. Also the right of the tenants and croppers to hunt and fish on millions of acres of idle land without prosecution by the big absentee landowners.

"12. Vocational training for rural youth.

"13. Against UCP, and for a program of peaceful co-existence.

"14. For a Program of organizing the farm workers by the Labor movement."

New York's attention is directed to Detroit letter to New York dated July 19, 1955, captioned "FNL PART, ISAC" page 1, paragraph 6, and page 2 last paragraph where it is indicated that no dissemination has been made of the above.

ISAC.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Newark (100-2974)

DATE: 7/25/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-66211)7-5

SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE
IS-C

NY 1475-S*, who is in a position to furnish valid information concerning activities at the CP National headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, advised that on 5/6/55, MARTHA (believed to be MARTHA STONE) at the CP National headquarters, stated to PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) that Tuesday morning

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- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE) (RM)
- 1 - Chicago (61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (RM)
- 1 - Philadelphia (100-JOE ROBERTS) (RM)
- 1 - NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-80641 (CP USA ORGANIZATION) 12-14
- Q - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) 19-A
- 1 - NY 100-50806 (GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-54899 (LEON WOFSY) 12-14
- 1 - NY 65-5604 (BILL ALBERTSON) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-95240 (LYL) 12-14
- 1 - NY 100-80644 (CP USA YOUTH MATTERS) 12-14
- 1 - NY 100-9984 (AL BLUMBERG) 19-A
- 1 - NY 100-22531 (JOE ROBERTS) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-62509 (DOXEY WILKERSON) 7-2
- 1 - NY 100-9352 (ABE MAGIL) 12-14
- 1 - NY 100-84275 (WILLIAM L. PATTERSON) 12-14
- 1 - NY 100-9365 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) 7-5
- 1 - NY 100-96985 (CP USA UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS) 19-A

JER:MJB

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NY 100-66211

(presumably 5/10/55) she would meet with CLAUDE, GEORGE and BILL (believed to be CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, GEORGE BLAKE CHAINNEY and BILL ALBERTSON, respectively). She also stated to PHIL that on Tuesday they would set aside the whole day for the Secretariat. She said she had promised to have the whole Secretariat on Tuesday night with him but "he" was giving us a rough time.

The informant further advised that MARTHA STONE attempted to contact BILL ALBERTSON but he was unavailable.

The informant advised that MARTHA then told LEON (believed to be LEON NELSON) and PHIL BART that they would go ahead and were only an hour late. She told PHIL that they were considering having a youth committee in the Party which would be something new. She said it would be in relation to the LYL. She talked to PHIL about postponing the N.A.C. until the 17th of May and added that on the 24th of May they would meet again on the youth question. She added that the district organizers were coming in on the 25th and 26th of May. She told PHIL to invite ROBERTS (believed to be JOE ROBERTS) from Philadelphia. She said that 2 weeks after the N.A.C. meeting which would take place on the 17th, they would have another meeting (presumably on 5/31/55.) She added that AL BLUMBERG would be back on the 31st so he would be able to attend. She told PHIL BART that the people that they would have to notify of the changes in the N.A.C. schedule would be: PAT (believed to be WILLIAM L. PATTERSON); DOC (believed to be AL BLUMBERG); GEORGE (believed to be GEORGE WATT); LEON (believed to be LEON WOPSY); CLAUDE (believed to be CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT); DOXEY (believed to be DOXEY WILKERSON) and ABE (believed to be ABE MAGID).

The informant further advised that MARTHA STONE told an unidentified man that there would be an underground meeting with FOSTER (believed to be WILLIAM Z. FOSTER). The unidentified man stated that he had heard that "they" were watching one house. He then made arrangements to meet with MARTHA on Thursday (presumably 5/12/55).

The informant added that MARTHA spoke with PHIL BART about Smith Act packages - about "everyone chasing everyone".

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

DATE: August 17, 1955

FROM : SA FRANKLIN B. TEETER

SUBJECT: PHILIP BART, was
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SMITH ACT OF 1940

Re Form FD -122 dated 7/22/55 (Serial 1170) and Bulet dated 8/3/55.

On 7/27/55 [redacted]

Brooklyn, New York, was re-contacted by SA's ROBERT G. OFTEDAL and [redacted]
He was shown a current photograph of the captioned subject and he positively
identified BART as the man who moved into Apartment 3G on 6/30/1955.b6
b7C[redacted] had previously identified CONSTANCE BART, subject's wife, as
the woman of the couple who moved into 530 E. 22nd Street on 6/30/55.In answer to referenced Bureau letter a new FD-122 is being submitted
reflecting BART's new residence address.

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VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE: *Philip Bart*

Office File 100 - 56579

The following is the most recent place of employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card.

Residence: *% Cecilia Levy, Sister, 120 Avenue N Brooklyn 2, N.Y.*

Employment: *Organizational Secretary & Treasurer, CP, U.S.A.*

Address: *268 7th Avenue, New York, New York*

Key Facility (Yes) (No ✓) Detcom (Yes ✓) (No) Comsab (Yes) (No)
Security Flash (Yes ✓) (No) Photo (Yes ✓) (No)

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It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a Security Flash should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record.

Employment: *National Organizational Secretary, CP, U.S.A.*

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SI UNIT

Address: *268 7th Avenue, NY, NY.*

DATE 8-18-55

Key Facility: (Yes) (No ✓) Geographical Reference Number:

Tab Detcom and Comsab: (Yes) (No)

Method of Verification:

Employment Source: *CG-5824-S**

Date: *6/29/55*

Verified by:

Residence: *530 E. 22nd Street apt 3-6, Brooklyn, N.Y.*

Method of Verification: *neighborhood source*

R. B. Tector
Security Index Card
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~~H. C. G. B.~~
JUN 7-1955
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Neighborhood Source:

Date: *7/27/55*

Verified By: *SA's ROBERT G. OFTEAL &*

Form 22 should be submitted to Bureau: (Yes) (No) (*has been done*)

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Director, FBI (100-3284)

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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the
above-captioned individual.

The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be
changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME PHILIP BART

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COMMUNIST _____ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY _____ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE _____

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) _____

TAB FOR DETCOM _____ TAB FOR COMSAB _____ RACE _____ SEX _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PLACE OF BIRTH _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) _____

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER _____ RESPONSIBILITY _____

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RESIDENCE ADDRESS Apt. 3G, 530 East 22nd Street, Brooklyn, New York

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